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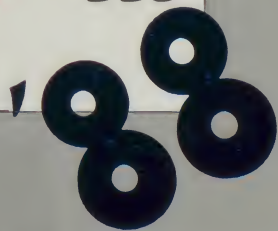
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the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are aged 65 and over has increased by 1.5 million, and the number of people aged 75 and over has increased by 1.2 million (Office of National Statistics 1999).

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People dance in a crowd to "Dancing With Myself" by Billy Idol at the Valentine Dance. This dance was one of the two dances held in the East Commons. The night of the dance, a terrible snowstorm hit the area. This didn't stop the crowds from showing up and having a good time.

'P' eople everywhere

Is Portage the only real 'P' word?

Max Headroom told everyone not to say it. But this place was buzzing with it. But what was the "P" word?

It could be "p"hysical education. Everybody had to take two years of it to graduate. A segment of it included nine weeks of swimming.

The "P" word certainly couldn't be "p"hony. Everything here was real. The students were real. The teachers were real. The homework was definitely real. "P"ossi-

bilities were almost endless when it came to extracurricular activities. The "p'hoto club was gaining in popularity, and "p"ep club with all its "p"om "p"on members was also available to all who wanted to join. "P"eople could quite possibly be the "p" word. There were 2,794 students enrolled in grades 9-12. These students and the 275 faculty and staff members made PHS the fourth largest school in the state.

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Every other Friday seniors Lisa Lewis, Lianne Jakich, Shirley Spiller, Sara Solomon and Renee Hill shared breakfast.



Marching Indians participated in Portage parades. Trombone player Dale Cruse, senior, keeps in step with the band.



Dips are one of the types of toning used in Mr. Dave Mattix's 7/8th hour class. Senior Jim Utley demonstrates this technique.



Fundamentals were a vital part of any sport. Junior Melissa Teets practices diving skills without the ball.

Opening

'P'ople Everywhere

During the summer, sophomore Philip Matusiak and his sister, senior Sarah Matusiak kick back in the shade of their front yard.

Andy Middleton, senior, enters "life after high school" after receiving his diploma at midterm graduation.



People and Pride — A unique two of a kind

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School spirit and "p"ride were essential at every school. If students didn't take pride in their school and what it stood for, then who would?

Portage was lucky to have the "P"an-Am water games nearby in Michigan City, and some students participated in the activities. "P"ride was shown Sept. 17 when "P"ortage band and Student

Council members went to Imagination Glen Park for the celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution.

There are many, many "P" words. A person could sit and read through 58 pages of Webster's Dictionary to find them. But to students, the most important of all these "P" words would be "P"ortage.



Juniors Carol Wick and Heather Meeks volleyball statisticians, eat after school. Heather and Carol were rarely home before 7 p.m.



Sophomore Angie Pantell passes the time by pitching a wiffle ball in front of her house.



Participants in the Junior Miss Pageant practice one of their dance routines for the competition.

'P'ride Inside and Out

Spirit lingers in behavior and attitudes

It was just another day of school. Another day of getting up before the sun and running a marathon between classes. Pride inside, as well as outside, was one of the specialties found at Portage. Pride could be seen throughout the halls at Portage, pride which was shown in class spirit during Homecoming, and in support of athletic

teams during a game. Members of the sophomore class, who placed second at the pep session, all shook cans filled with rocks, beans and pellets to help them show their class spirit. The seniors also showed their pride when they accepted the fact that senior week could only be granted if they used non-exempt absences.



Senior Ed Sullivan and junior Patty Maxwell sit together at one of the home football games.



During the summer many students held parttime jobs. Junior Don Sarich washes a boat at Lefty's Coho Landing where he was employed.

Senior Greg Mitchell dances to the song "Wipeout" as he balances on sophomore Mike Trent's back.





Many students brought lunches, while others took advantage of the hot lunch provided by the school. Senior Tyrone Cooks savors the last few bites of his meal.



The first day of school brought many surprises to the student body. Seniors Stacy Herren and Christina Cambeses, and junior Beth Scheier stand outside during a false fire drill.

Summertime Fun!

Vacation starts; summer fever hits

Summer was a good time for relaxing but also getting work done.

Taking a break from studies didn't necessarily mean taking a break completely. Eric Thomas, senior, said he really didn't have much free time because he worked. He worked two jobs during the summer; one at Enchanted Forest, the other at Rosewood Family Restaurant in South Haven. "I thought summer vacation was a time to work harder on things you liked to do more or to feel like you've accomplished something. Also, to get ahead for the coming school year," he explained.

On the other hand, students couldn't wait for school to end. Going to the beach, sleeping and hanging out with friends were common goals for summer among students.

Teresa Achten, freshman, said, "Summer vacation to me means a break away from school."

Senior Shawn Green agreed. "It's also a good time to get a lot of things done."

Friends were an important part of summer. Most people didn't want to do things alone, so they always needed friends. Nicole David, sophomore, said, "Mostly in the summer I hang out with my friends and just goof around."

Amy Richmond, junior, mostly went to the beach with her friends to pick up guys.

During the 4th of July Parade, the pom poms performed a dance routine. Junior Mary Mitchell and senior Cindy McCormack were both participants.

Eric also said, "Jobs give you something to do and you can brag to your friends about having money." Most students said money was the best advantage for having a summer job.

Students didn't always have to leave the general area to have a fun summer. Teresa, Shawn, Amy and Eric all stayed in Portage during the summer. Nicole traveled only to Indianapolis.

Despite not going on vacation, none of these students wanted summer to end. The thought of going back to school for hard work and hours of homework did not appeal to some students such as sophomore Emily Jordan. "The best part about school is summer vacation. It never seems long enough!"



The Portage Junior Miss Softball Field was a popular place to hang out during the summer. Former freshman Joe Kramer and sophomore Suzanne Mendoza talked about her game.



Center fielder, senior Jeff Smith, catches the ball at a Portage Big League practice, held at Woodland Park. The final season record for the team was 12-3.



Some PHS organizations participated in the 4th of July Parade. Seniors Debi Daniels and Tina Wiggins lead the Marching Indians.



Portage Junior Miss for 1987 was senior Dawn Roque. Dawn rode through the parade with third runner-up senior Natalie Konarski.

Homecoming spirit

Week's activities offer fun times

As in most years in the past, rain was predicted for Homecoming night, but the rain held off for the Indians to defeat the Chesterton Trojans, 22-0.

Senior football player Billy Allison commented about the nice weather: "I liked it a lot. It helped me play better because I did not have a wet field or ball, and the ball was easier to control."

There were several ways to show school spirit, by dressing crazy during spirit week. Monday was backwards and inside out day, which the seniors won. Tuesday was toga day. This was the first time that toga day was on Tuesday instead of the usual Thursday. Seniors also won that day.

Wednesday was boxer shorts and Hawaiian shirt day. Freshmen were the winners of that day. Thursday was era day, when students could wear clothes from the 20's through the 70's, which the freshmen won again. Friday was the traditional red and white day. Freshmen also won again.

Freshman Jean Plunkett said toga day was her favorite day of spirit week be-

cause it was neat to see all of the different sheets people wore.

Going to the pep session, bonfire, the game and dance are also ways students showed school spirit. Junior Beth Scheier commented that spirit week did its job. Some students don't like to show school spirit, she said, but because of the competition between the classes, everyone showed as much spirit as possible. She said it really let the football team know that everyone was cheering them on for a victory.

During spirit week the senior hall was destroyed. Some students said this behavior was very immature. Junior Tracy Terus said, "I think it was a childish act. I mean, how would the other classes feel if it was their hall being destroyed?"

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Students dance to the beat of the song in the West gym after the game. This is the first time the Homecoming dance was held in the gym.



Senior Shelly Sobczak screams with excitement while being announced Homecoming Queen. The rest of the court consisted of seniors LeAnne Hoyt, Chris Reese, Kristi Melton and Elena Iatarola.

Showing their school spirit at the Homecoming game, juniors Kevin Sampson and Kevin Delgado painted their faces with '89.



Portage offensive line awaits the count of junior quarterback Brent Kingery. He led the Indians to a 22-0 Homecoming victory.

Getting involved

Working together to get motivated

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The overall club winner of the hall decorations was French Club. The sophomore class took first place in the float competition and in dressing up for spirit week. Mr. Football and Homecoming Queen, seniors Steve Jahoda and Shelly Sobczak were announced during halftime. "The reason for having a homecoming queen is to have girls acknowledged, not just the guys," said Beth.

Tracy added, "It's part of spirit week, a tradition, but also for fun and entertainment at the game."

Many people were worried that Portage might lose the game. Kristy Nabhan, senior, said, "It was close for awhile, but (the team) pulled through."

Phillip Martin, junior, said the game reminded him of the previous

year's.

Joe Serrano, junior, anticipated the victory. "I never had any doubts, because we were in control of the game and the seniors wouldn't allow us to lose the game."

Spirit week meant several different things to different people. Joe said, "It allowed the student body to express their enthusiasm."

Kristy replied, "It's showing how much pride you have in school. It's showing it in a way that's beneficial to others."

"I was really scared and nervous," thought senior Leanne Hoyt as she was being escorted by her father, Jack Hoyt.



Queen: in a tuxedo?

Romance tonight — 'Just You and I'

The special night had finally arrived. After hours of preparation and anticipation, couples were arriving at the Porter County Expo Center for an evening of dinner, dancing and excitement.

The night was made for couples. The theme, "Just You and I," along with the slow music played during dinner, set the mood for romance.

People were shocked to see the Prom queen when she was crowned — in a tuxedo! Seniors Shelly Sobczak and her date Dave Pieroni wore matching tuxes to portray a different look.

Many Prom-goers agreed that being with a boyfriend or a girlfriend made the evening more special. "I had a wonderful time with my girlfriend. It was the best time I ever had with her," said senior Steve Miller.

On the other hand, several students found Prom not to be as sentimental as they expected. "Maybe I would have had more fun if I would have taken a girl-

friend instead of just a friend," commented Mike Whiteman.

This was the first year that the traditional wine glasses were not given as a memento. Some had complained that such a gift encouraged teens to drink alcoholic beverages from these glasses. Instead of the glasses, bud vases were given to all that attended. Out of the 749 vases ordered, 48 were broken and needed to be replaced.

Many couples were angered and upset to find out they received "the dreaded phone call." Barry's Photography had a problem with their cameras, and 25-30 couples' pictures were ruined. A total of about 325 pictures were taken, either of a couple or of an individual. "It didn't really matter that our pictures were ruined, because I had a great time while I was there. That's what counts," said junior Phillip Martin.

The traditional garter ceremony was the highlight of many guys' evening. Junior Sam Haines removes sophomore Missy Uterback's garter.





Before the crowd arrives, senior John Migoski and his date, sophomore Jenni Mitckess, share a quiet moment alone.

After removing senior Jeanine Monnier's garter, junior Josh Rusbolt attempts to put it over his head.



In the spotlight again, senior David Wayne is announced as Prom king. Other senior prom court members were Jeff Smith, Kit Bryan, Kevin Banker, Aaron Jarvis, queen Shelley Sobczak, Lisa Recio, Cami Gagna, Kristi Melton and Chris Reese. The junior court was prince Mike Spicer, Ron Wilkins, Tony Sebben, John Patis, Bob Jarabek, Princess Aimee Biggs, Rachel Mallonee, Jill Stillabower, Mandi Koslow, Shellie Howell and Lisa Gorgei.

Fun in the sun!

The beaches are the places to be

Summer sunshine, cool breezes, warm sand, clear water and tons of tan bodies — that was a perfect description of an ideal day on the beach. The last bell signaled not only the end of another school year but also the start of another summer on the beach.

The beach was a popular place for students to see friends, do some exercise and, most importantly, work on a tan. "I like the beach because I see a lot of my friends, and I love skiing and swimming," said senior Stephanie Dillon. Senior Bev Sable said she liked the beach because "it beats laying out in the backyard. I get to see all my friends. We make an entire day out of going to the beach."

During the summer of 1987, which reached record high temperatures, many found themselves at Lake Michigan. The

lake was a nice escape from the extremely high temperatures. "A lot of times I got so hot, I just had to run and dunk myself into the water," said senior Scott Duncan. Some of the more popular beaches among PHS students were West Beach, Wells Street Beach, Ogden Dunes, and also Indian State Dunes.

The beach was popular not only during the day but also at night. Parties and quiet times were spent at the beach. "I always went to the beach at night because of all the hellacious beach parties!" said junior Jerry Merritt. "My boyfriend and I went to the beach at night to just stare at the stars and be alone," said senior Judy Hancock.

Whether it was on a cool night or on a hot day, the beach was a place for everyone to have fun.

Lynn' out at the beach, senior Kathy Mendez enjoys a day in the sun.



West Beach in Miller was a site for many sun-bathers. Seniors Billy Allison and Kevin Myers work on their tans.



Junior Mike Elkins and a friend take time out to relax in the pool during a summer pool party.



Lake Michigan was an excellent place to cool off during the hot summer. Seniors Jasmina Kincheloe and Cami Gagna take a dip in the lake.

Look out — it's time!

The school year begins once again

Just when you thought it was safe to go back on the streets again the buses are back! Most students started their first day of school waiting in the rain to be picked up by their bus.

But many other people started out the day on the right foot. Sophomore Julie Lorraine had "practice" waking up early. "I had summer school and practice until school started, so I was used to getting up early."

Not everybody was used to getting up early during the week. "I was up early. But (getting up) was hard to do after sleeping in until 10 or 11," said senior Paul Huisinga. Senior Dan Malarik said, "I had no trouble with waking up in the morning, but I do have a problem staying awake in my last hour class."

Crawling out of bed was only one of the obstacles to conquer. Butterflies were flying around in the stomachs of many students, even upperclassmen. "I was scared that I wouldn't have any of my friends in my classes or my lunch hour," said senior LeAnne Hoyt. "I was so scared!"

Some seniors were worried about passing the classes required for graduation. Dan said, "When I received my schedule, I was worried if I could handle government and econ right after each other.

College night was Sept. 30 and had representatives from many different colleges and universities. Seniors Isabel Vahedi and Melonie Malone listen to information from one of the reps.

But, now I don't think it's going to be a problem!"

Some students were just nervous about certain classes. Seniors Amy Voye and Toni Watkins were apprehensive about Cadet Teaching. Amy was "because I wasn't sure of what was expected of me." She found out it was best to use her own judgment. Toni said, "I wasn't sure if the kids would like me. I have learned a lot from the kids and the teacher."

But having no friends in classes wasn't the worst thing that could happen on the first day. Junior April Hardin went to the wrong classroom. "I felt pretty stupid." Chuck Helmink, sophomore, had an original problem. He said the worst part of school was "when somebody had the same locker as me."





With the beginning of school came football games. With football games came crowds. This crowd reacts to a good play at the Aug. 28 LaPorte game.



Overcrowding caused many dances to be moved from the West cafeteria to the West gym. Sophomore Robin Elliott and senior Brian Oster share a moment at the back-to-school dance.



Community involvement

Students involve themselves in area

Many student and community activities took place. One was the first-ever teachers' strike. It lasted for five school days and was something many will never forget.

Three students in particular were involved: Ron Steve, junior, and Cathy Huey and Tina Wiggins, seniors. Tina acted as the spokesperson for the students. "I felt that we needed to be in school. It was the students' responsibility to voice our opinions and concerns to all parties involved in order to end the strike."

She called around to see if any students wanted to do anything about the strike, but many parents wouldn't let their children get involved. Finally, Ron and Cathy helped her get organized.

She spoke to Mr. Marvin Allison, who was the spokesperson for the teachers on the picket line. "I told him we were against the strike and were hoping it would be resolved quickly."

There were also special concerns for the seniors in particular. Tina told this to Dr. Donald Bivens, strike headquarters and Mrs. Glenda Owens, president of the school board. "We needed school for pre-college preparation," said Tina.

Soon, after a long time negotiating, the strike was over. Tina would like to think that the students influenced the decision to end the strike, but even if they didn't, they accomplished what they set out to do.

Another experience was Student Government Day. Nine students participated. Senior Mike Hall held the position of

Councilman of the 1st District. A vote took place after people were nominated. "Those interested turned in a form indicating which position they would like to run for. Then, students voted in their Economics and Government classes for the position titles," said Mike.

One reason why Mike liked the program was because "it was really interesting, and I learned how the city handles all matters concerning Portage."

"The program used to take two days; this year it only took one. Everything was crammed into one day and it was just too short of a period to get the full effect," added Mike.

The community and students of the community worked together to add a variety to life in good ways and in bad.



Working for the elections was a way to get involved. Junior Colleen Hyde and Mrs. Janette Allen help out.



Acting as mayor, Kristy Nabhan, senior, participates in Student Government Day.

The community involves youngsters, not just high school students, such as the pupils of Jones School, who wave their flags in honor of the signing of the Constitution.



During the strike, many teachers, of all Portage public schools, were out for five school days to picket for their rights.

Showing their talents

Students perform with much variety

With the variety in a high school, comes a variety of activities. The air band contest and the variety show were two activities in which the students had the opportunity to show off their talents.

The third annual Air Band contest was Mar. 11. Twelve groups participated in the event. There were four groups chosen to win and an additional complimentary prize winner. "Ready For the World" with seniors Kevin Banker, Marty Bertucci, Noel Cullen, Scott Power and Jim Utley won the first place prize of \$100. Second place went to "The Cure", which was done by senior Tom Burke, juniors Heath Homann, Bob Jarabek and Bob Shough, and sophomores Doug E. Greider and Stephanie Marshall. The second prize was \$75.

Also, Ky Badgley, Jerry Davison, Wally Derifield, Tony Sebben and Mike Sweitzer received a third place prize of \$50 imitating the group "Def Leppard". The fourth place prize of \$25 went "LL Cool J" with Dan Elkins, Robby Farinelli and Drake Overturf.

Sponsors, Mrs. Bonnie Albert and Mr. Joe Stevens, decided to award a non place finisher \$15. "Robert Palmer", consisting of Cassie Gouger, John Patellis, Julie Popp, Missy McGurren, Heather Sedan and Shelly Sobczak, won that special award.

The audience voted for the groups they liked by writing their selections on their ticket stub. That year, for the first time, students were required to purchase tickets during school because no tickets were sold at the door. Tickets were \$3.

Imitating a song by the Beastie Boys are seniors Jerry Bryan and Larry Auskel.

Another activity that attracted students was the variety show. The Thespians sponsor this event every year. Acts from singing to dancing are performed at the variety show.

The show was on Feb. 22. The variety show gives a number of students the chance to perform whatever they like. Some students performed skits and dances. Others played an instrument or dedicated a song.

Senior Jennifer Dean explained that she was in Junior Miss and put on a skit. Later, Mr. Stevens said, "I should have done that skit in the variety show." Dean did a skit on a commercial for detergent.





Singing the tune "On Broadway" during the annual variety show are senior Steve Roberts and junior Bob Hamilton.

During the variety show, Mr. James Killion and Mr. Bill Bodnar perform a comedy sketch in between acts.



Performing "Human Toy" by Ready For the World are Kevin Banker, Marty Bertucci, Jim Utley, Scott Power and Noel Cullen. They won first place at the Air Band contest.

Shaping Future World

Facing maturity and giving advice

Most students plan to teach their children the basics of life, just as their parents taught them. Some plan to teach their children to use their best judgment and to be kind to everyone.

Freshman Colette David said, "I plan to teach (my children) to be respectful, and how to have fun without getting in trouble."

Bill Doll, senior, said, "The advice I would give to my children, as they are growing up, would be to stop and take a look at life because it passes you by."

What will some tell their children when they ask, "Where do babies come from?" "I will probably tell them the truth when I think they are ready because in school they will learn all about it, and if I lie to them, they won't think I'm honest," said Tom Jalovecky, junior.

"I am going to tell my children the absolute truth. Children do not deserve being lied to. I will explain it to them according to their age, making it easy to understand," said Mandi Koslow, junior.

A few students said they are not going to tell their children anything about mature topics until they think they are old enough because they want them to know the real reasons for things and not the stuff they hear on the streets.

Ken Barker, junior, said, "I plan to teach them (my children) the importance of respect, education, and the truth about what drugs can really do to your brain. Everything else should come natural to them."

Students might tell their children how they dressed and acted when they were

in high school. There were many different styles. Will students really admit to their children what people thought of them?

"I would want them to understand why people act the way they do towards others who aren't the same, and encourage them to be their self," said sophomore Char Matila.

Mike Dyll, senior, said, "I think that everybody dresses their own way. Styles change with time. Most likely the way everybody dresses will look weird to their children."

Students might save something to show their children.

John Skolak, senior, said, "I'll probably still have my jacket so I can show them. Some of (the styles) might still be around in 10 or 15 years, so they will probably see (the styles), anyway."

sophomores Renae Grace, Paula Mueller, Erika Smith and Gina Bertucci and freshman Tabitha Penrose learn how to bathe an infant.





Students may tell their children how they dressed. Tom Gross, senior, displays one of the many clothes styles worn here.

Safety of pregnancy was the topic of Geneticist Sam Rhine's presentation to the student body.



Sophomores Ceanne Richardson and Christine Howard and junior Karen Saklaczynski prepare for adulthood by taking a child development class.



Addicted to skateboarding

Some say it's the ultimate high

Fifties music, jean jackets, cruising and mini skirts were all fads and fashions of the past that have made a comeback. One of the most talked about fads was skateboarding. Although popular during the early 1970's, skateboarding improved in style, and its comeback was even bigger than its debut.

Launching off a 10-foot high ramp, one can either do a Boneless or an A-method. An Ollie, Acid Drop, McTwist, and a Russian Boneless with a Saranwrap may be done after hours of practice. "I skateboard with almost all the kids most people consider punks, but they're just kids who want to be different and unique," commented John Skolak, senior.

Skating was considered a sport due to the skater's desire for competition, and, as in all other sports, skateboarders must practice to do well. "I think it takes more talent to skate than to play football. Everybody can catch or throw a football," said Chris Cazel, junior.

There weren't any local competitions for skateboarders, but Chris and senior Mike Dyll had competed in Chicago at skateboard competitions during the summer. "Personally, I'm not that fond of contests because it takes away all of the fun of skating," said Chris.

Empty store parking lots were the most popular place to find skaters after 10 p.m. any day of the week. "We skateboard just about every time there is good weather. Even if it's a warm rainy night, we'll go," said John.

Skating takes not only skill and balance, but also money. "You can spend around \$125 for a good board, and that doesn't include \$70 elbow and knee pads,

or ramps, which are needed if you want to compete," said John.

"You are constantly buying new parts, but like they say: 'you pay to play,'" added Chris.

Some students found skaters to be weird and obnoxious people. "I say if your hair isn't normal, then neither are you. Some hairdos are okay, but when you start shaving or striping it, that's getting a little ridiculous," said Robert Briesse, senior.

Chris disagreed, "I wish people wouldn't put down skating because it's something we like, and we don't put down other people's hobbies."

John also disagreed, "if we can't use a skateboard as a form of transportation, then why don't they outlaw bikes, mopeds and cars; they cause injuries, too!"

Mike had several minor accidents on his skateboard. "One time about two and a half years ago I had a real bad wrist injury, but the worst was when I broke my thumb in half doing 'Street plants'. I've also almost shattered my knee falling 11 feet, but I was okay."

Over the years, skateboarding has changed from a leisure activity to a competitive sport. Many skaters agreed that competing all the time takes away some of the fun. "Skateboarding isn't what it used to be. It used to be just having fun and skating with your friends. These days, everybody is too hung up on being the best. Skaters should look back at the old days when you just skated because it was fun. Even if you can't pull off the trick you wanted to that day, it shouldn't have to matter," commented Mike.



Demonstrating a "street plant", junior Chris Cazal stands one-handed on a parking block.



Doing a "backside grind", senior Mike Dyll practices on his friend's half pipe ramp.

Jumping off a homemade ramp, junior Eric Ringer demonstrates another skateboard technique.

This time has arrived

Memories remain in seniors' hearts

June 3, 1988, the class of 1988 entered the gymnasium. They were dressed in the traditional red and white gowns. It was the time they had all been waiting for, graduation. This was a time for many to laugh, cry and remember the many memories.

As freshmen the class of 1988 experienced being snowed in at school. All students had to remain in their first hour classes. Students ended up missing a week of school because of the snow. Spirit week was a definite success for the freshmen. They ended up with first place overall. "Spirit week was the greatest when I was a freshmen. We won everything," said senior Kristi Melton.

As sophomores the students got to watch as the play "The King and I" did so well it had an encore performance. This was also the year that the English soccer team played our soccer team.

During their junior year, the class of 1988 remembered the scandal that made nation wide news. The scandal was a group that called themselves Delta Force. Another incident that happened was a controversy with the "Hoods vs. the Jocks". Both groups gathered in the commons to settle the feud. The problem soon died down, and things were back to normal.

Out of all of the high school years, the senior year was definitely the most un-

usual and exciting. Seniors were made to save up four non-exempts in order to receive their senior week. A lot of excitement happened when the basketball team won regionals and went on to semi-state. During this year there was also a teachers' strike, which resulted in students missing school.

Each individual student will miss a different part of high school. "The thing I will miss the most is all the time I spent with my friends," said senior Jeff Smith. "I will never forget winning the Junior Miss Pageant," said senior Dawn Roque. "The sports that I played during high school are what I will miss the most," said senior Chris Reese.



At mid-term graduation, seniors listen contently to the baccalaureate address given by Monsignor John Morales, pastor at Nativity of our Savior Parish.



...rutes couldn't stop senior Brian Poe from receiving his diploma. Brian smiles graciously as he shakes Assistant Superintendent Dr. George McKay's hand.

...ugs and kisses were a common sight after the graduation ceremony. Seniors Julie Popp and Mike Gray hug each other while they pose for a picture.



...he benediction proved to be one of the only silent moments during the graduation ceremony. Seniors Stacey Alexander, Bill Allison, Becky Allison and Kelli Anderson bow their heads for a moment of prayer.

Students who excel

Smart, talented students show off

Music, grades, attendance and leadership were a few of the many talents students have. People who excelled in different activities were awarded in ways such as scholarships, certificates and medals.

Many people had talent in music. Seniors Steve Roberts, Brian Robbins and Eric Thomas were all members of Jazz Band. In the fall they were selected to perform at the Indiana Music Educators Convention.

Band and orchestra students competed in the State Solo and Ensemble Contest at Southport High School in Indianapolis. Among those who received first place ratings for solos were seniors Tina Wiggins, Scott Power, Kevin Powrozek, Eric Thomas, Mike Hall and Shawn Green, juniors Adlene Rivera, Bob Hamilton and Rick Havrilla and sophomore Melanie Lamb.

If a student had above a 3.3 grade point average (GPA), at least seven semesters of B+, completion of 12 units in English, math, science, social studies, and foreign language, he could make the Academic Hall of Fame. The student also had to have a composite percentile score of 80 or above on Scholastic Aptitude Tests. A total of 31 students made the Hall of Fame.

With a GPA of 4.191, Scott Hufford was valedictorian of the class of 1988. Pat McDonald was salutatorian. Debbie Vaughn and Tina Wiggins were both Hoosier Scholar winners. Mike Terwilliger and Kristy Nabhan received Honors Diplomas.

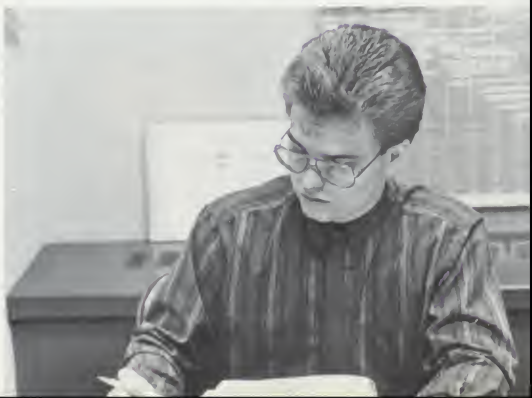
Hard work filled president of Student Council senior Scott Hoesman's year. Student Council received Honor Council award for the third straight year from the Indiana Association of Student Councils.

Leadership was an important part of a high school career. Sophomore Kevin Mattix took first place in the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Competition. This competition was to prepare sophomores for leadership positions in their school. Kevin was picked to attend a state seminar to see who would be chosen for a week-long international seminar.

Senior Kristy Nabhan was selected to represent this school by receiving the Principal's Leadership Award.

Some students carried out perfect attendance for years. Senior Larry Blake had perfect attendance for 13 years.

National Merit finalist for the year was senior Shawn Green, who also received a first class rating in State Solo Contest.





His first in the Indiana State VICA contest for diesel mechanics won senior David Howell an opportunity to compete in nationals in June.

Senior Dawn Roque had been awarded many times for her talent in singing. Dawn reigned as Junior Miss in 1987-88.



Senior Rich Brockway has received the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross. This is the highest award for JROTC members. Each year one person out of a five-state region is chosen for this award.

Thompson Let it be

Student interests set drama records

If a person had wandered into the auditorium during play rehearsals, he would have entered either an insane asylum or a world of the 60's.

The fall play, *Lunatics at Large*, was a mystery-comedy consisting of 24 actors and actresses. The spring musical, *Hair*, consisted of 70 students. The musical depicted the "typical" life of teenagers in the 60's.

Hair showed the frustrations and hopes of teens of the 60's. Sophomore Becky Kobiak commented, "It's a whole different era. It's about the hippies, drugs, sex and the anti-war protests." Becky added that practically the whole show consisted of music with little dialogue.

Another veteran of the stage, senior Debbie Vaughn, explained that *Lunatics at Large* went "really well." She added, "The play was better than some of the previous fall plays, and we really worked together as a team during the performance."

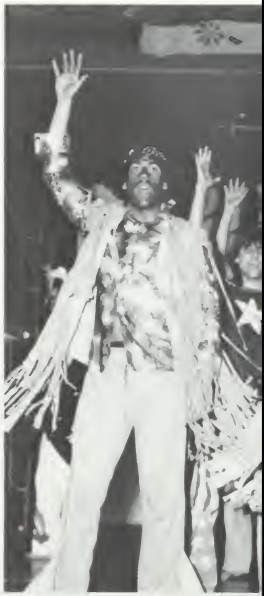
According to Mr. Joe Stevens, production supervisor, *Lunatics at Large* attracted a record number of students auditioning for a fall show. Also, *Hair* attracted the second largest number of students for a musical. Approximately 175

students auditioned, compared with the record of 230 students for the musical *Grease*.

Stevens said the musical *Hair* was chosen because the students could relate to the music. The songs of the musical were upbeat and contained many dances.

Becky explained that participating in school plays has helped her to meet many new people. Likewise, Debbie added, "Mr. Stevens works with some of us on special acting, dancing or singing techniques, and you learn a lot."

Debbie also said that the most unique aspect of participating in the play "is the great feeling you feel when you hear the applause after you've performed."



Making the final touches to senior Stephanie Dillon, Kerri Swerdon, senior, applies her lipstick.

During the spring musical *Hair*, senior Dave Lopez, who played Hud, performs to the song "Colored Spade". *Hair* was considered the first "rock" musical on Broadway.

In the fall play, *Lunatics at Large*, Jack-the-Ripper, played by junior Toby Guill suggests to Priscilla, played by senior Trasa Phillips, that they use his knife to commit the crime.



"Don't Put it Down," sung by sophomores Nick Crews, Jason O'Dell and junior Tim Haraminac and senior Marty Bertucci, expressed their feelings for the American flag in the spring musical *Hair*.

Locker Decorations

Add some life to your dull locker

Right 21 . . . Left 17 . . . Right 5 . . . Success! Take a quick peek at Kirk (Cameron, of course), grab the econ book and it's off to the second floor.

Everyone had a locker; but not all of them looked the same. If anyone walked up and down the halls on break, he would see a lot of differences in the lockers. They all look the same on the outside, except they may be different colors, but on the inside there were a lot of differences.

Lockers were decorated because without decorations they would look "too dull and boring. I decorate mine to make it look more interesting," said Joy Reber, freshman. "I put a lot of pictures of guys in my locker."

Boys usually put pictures of models, or women in bathing suits, in their locker. Girls usually put items such as pictures of guys, their favorite bands and wrapping paper in their lockers.

One item that a lot of people had in their lockers, even if they were not fully decorated, was a mirror. "I think a mirror in my locker is an absolute necessity," said Charity Johnson, sophomore.

Pictures and sayings of some of her favorite music groups were in sophomore Suzanne Mendoza's locker. Psychedelic Furs and The Cure topped the list.

Some more unusual items were found in senior Trasa Phillips' and junior Tammy McGuire's locker. To name a couple, there were a two liter pop bottle and fake animal fur.

"A locker looks stupid plain. I get little sayings or words and pictures of cute men in my locker," said sophomore Lee Large.

Kim Krueger, junior, said she puts pictures of Chippendales and lots of pictures of cute guys in her locker.

"I hate it when a locker is not decorated because it looks too empty. I put up some pictures of my favorite guy actors," commented Missy Tomak, sophomore.

So if anyone does not like the way his locker looks, he can just give it a new life. Cut up some magazines, add a few pictures, and maybe even add a mirror, and that is all it takes to have a new decoration.





Pace. It was just one of the sayings in senior Traci Reynolds' locker. A Pink Floyd poster was also in the locker.

Girls, Girls, Girls. That is what sophomore Derek Pierce's locker should have been titled.

When the games begin

Intramurals fun, serious, exciting

Do you like being in sports, but don't have enough time or aren't quite good enough to make the high school team? Well, intramurals provided those students with the pleasure and competition of being on a team.

Although a bowling team was not part of the school's interscholastic program, intramural bowling was enjoyed by many. It gave those students, who wished to, a chance to bowl in competition once a week against other student teams.

This was the first time Mr. Bob Beigh, sponsor, divided the bowling into two divisions. The season lasted for 10 weeks, having the last week set aside for the top teams of each division to have a bowl-off. The team that won the best out of the three game series would be the champions.

The Donkees, who consisted of juniors Jeff Estes, Mike Curry, Bob Humphries and Scott Carr and sophomore Eric Hootman, won the bowl-off.

"I'm glad we won. We just went out there every week and had fun," Jeff said. The winning team won a \$25 gift certificate for a pizza party at Shakey's in Portage, and each member of the team received a trophy. Lance Dawson, senior, who led all bowlers with a season-ending 196 average and high series of 763, was

part of the third place team, The Awesome Crankers.

"It felt 'Awesome' to be the leading bowler in the whole school. I wanted to do good, but had no idea I would do that good," said Lance.

Basketball, on the other hand, was a high school sport; therefore, varsity players were restricted from playing but were allowed to officiate.

The season started out with two practice games for each team. It was determined by sponsor Ms. Carolann Radivan that it would be a double elimination tournament. In the first round, the six winning teams were placed into the winners' bracket, while the other six teams were placed into the losers' bracket. After the second round, those who had lost two games were eliminated, cutting the field to nine.

"It's all in fun and games. If you get out there and get too serious, it gets violent," senior Bill Allison said.

Bill was part of the champions, Care Unit. They beat Rebels Revenge in the championship game. "It was a close game, but we came out ahead, and I was glad we did," senior Kevin Myers said.

A face of pure concentration. Getting the lift he needs to get the ball to drive through the pocket is junior Joel Tennant. Joel was runner-up in high average with a 194. The Donkees were the overall winners of the league.





In the intramural semi-finals, Care Unit player Larry Auksel, senior, jumps up for the tip-in against a member of the losing team, the Lakers' Luke Fisher, freshman.



Following through on his release is senior Lance Dawson. Lance led all bowlers in the intramurals with a 196 average and a 763 series.



Crrrack! That was often the sound that could be heard during intramural bowling. Senior John Tomac extends on his follow through trying to get those pins to crack.



Senior Mike Dickey out jumps a defender on the jump ball for an intramural basketball game. Care unit was the overall champion of the intramural season.

Basketball Invitational

Fans show strong support for team

The sports sections of the local newspapers were flashing PORTAGE for weeks. Local businesses filled their advertising signs with congratulatory sayings, and T-shirts were sold by the hundreds showing off the spirit and pride everyone had for the varsity basketball team's success.

Winning the Duneland Conference title was just the beginning. In a first-round win over Chesterton, suspense filled the crowd until the last 35 seconds of the game when junior Greg Meyne made a three-point basket, and then senior David Wayne put in the winning shot at the buzzer. A 75-54 victory over Hobart in the second round of sectionals led the team to the title game against Valparaiso.

The first round of regionals proved to be the toughest game the team would play. Not only were the Indians playing the sixth-ranked Oregon-Davis team, they were competing against the team considered to be the symbol of the movie *Hoosiers*, which was about a small school team that wins the state title. Oregon-Davis had been the spotlighted team throughout the nation, and the Indians were the team that stopped them from entering semi-state. Not only did they stop Oregon-Davis, but their winning streak continued in the second round when they upset Duneland co-champion LaPorte Slicers, 50-49, in the last 13 seconds of the game.

The team had its share of close games during the season, including three of its four playoff games. That last-second win didn't come through for the Indians one

week later when the team traveled to Fort Wayne Coliseum to play in the first round of semi-state against Norwell. After a winning streak of 14, their bubble burst when they lost, 60-57, after a great come-back effort which fell short after a Greg Meyne three-point shot attempt which would have tied the game with 10 seconds left. That was his only missed shot in the entire game. With that, it was the end of an incredible season.

Elementary students, senior citizens, businessmen, as well as teachers and high school students all participated in the excitement of the team's surprise success. Players could be seen signing autographs in grocery stores and in between classes, and talking to girls they didn't even know. This excitement and enthusiasm was one that will be remembered by the players as well as fans for many years.

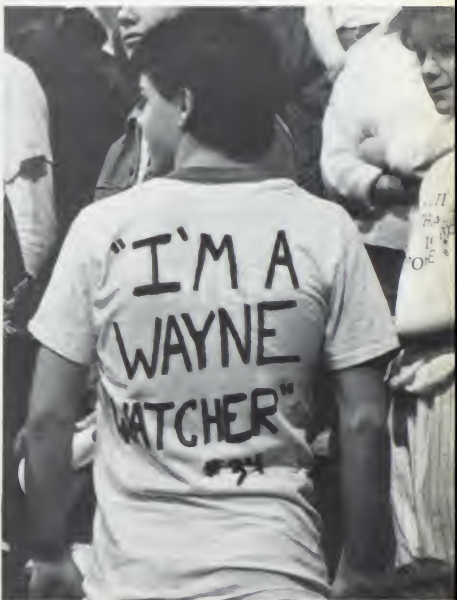


Halftime was not a time for fun and games. Concentration is the key to success as Coach Greg Fisher gives some last-minute strategy tips.



A sell-out crowd at Valparaiso High School cheered the team to a victory in the sectional championship. The Indians defeated the Valparaiso Vikings, 51-46.

Showing off his team spirit, sophomore Brian Terwilliger displays one of the many different personalized T-shirts that could be found throughout Portage.



Painted faces and souvenir megaphones were only two examples of support shown by fans of all ages. Bob Hamilton, junior, shows his spirit in both these ways.

After clenching the regional title in Michigan City Rogers High School gym, Mr. Forrest Rhode, principal, emotionally shows his pride after cutting down a piece of the net.

'P'ower to Advance



Hope of graduation common among students

Most students who go through high school, do it with the intent of reaching the ultimate goal. That, of course, being to graduate from high school.

While seniors put college plans ahead of the present high school troubles, underclassmen struggled to accumulate the extra credits needed to graduate.

Seniors, being the last class to need only 37 credits to gra-

duate, were allowed more free space in their schedule. Underclassmen, though, had the chance of receiving the Academic Honors Diploma, which was not offered to the class of '88.

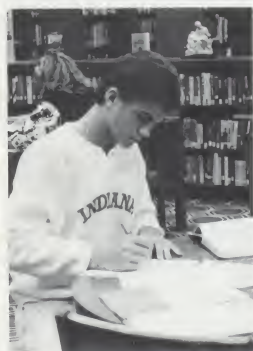
Self motivation and personal goals played major roles in deciding many students' futures. It created the foundation needed to achieve and gave students their own power to advance.



Foreign language classes proved to be more than just homework. Junior Vinnie Fischer and sophomore Sandy Brickley act out the play "Snow White" in their German 3 class.

Fernando Samano, senior, Dwayne Price, sophomore, and Ron Wilkins, junior, weigh objects in their 7/8th hour chemistry class.

What could it be? Freshman Randy Coffing examines a specimen in his biology class.



Many students use the media center as a way to escape the normal classroom setting. Junior Jason Trezak finishes up some homework.

Bit by bit, piece by piece, Ruben Munoz, junior, chips away at his art sculpture.



Talking during class was one of the most common ways to pass time. Sophomores Kristin Pieper and Tracy Sulich discuss their weekend.

Academics

Fear or no fear, the show goes on

"Oh, no! It's my turn! I have to go in front of the whole class and read my speech. What if I make a fool of myself in front of all these people?"

Stage fright was a very common experience among students. Most students had simple nervous reactions, such as giggling, twirling their hair, chewing on their lips, blinking, bouncing up and down, or making quick movements.

However, according to Mr. William Bodnar, speech and acting teacher, some cases of stage fright go to extremes, in the cases of blanking out, crying and leaving the room, and fainting.

Although most students did experience stage fright, there was always the exceptional person who was at ease in front of an audience. Sophomore Dawn Kwilas said that she liked having the opportunity to get in front of the class. Dawn said to keep her from getting nervous, "I think of the guy I like, and it helps ease my embarrassment. I think of him because I can talk to him, so it makes talking in front of the class easier."

Mrs. Linda Hicks, speech teacher and

speech team coach, said that the best defense for nervousness is good preparation. Mr. Joe Stevens, auditorium director, said, "Everyone who acts or performs on stage always has some stage fright, especially before getting in front of an audience. Once the initial entrance is made, the fright eases and the actor often becomes very comfortable with an audience."

Many students felt that speech should not be required. Sophomore Brian Erdei said, "It shouldn't be required because some people get really nervous and just can't handle it."

However, Mr. Bodnar said that the best way to get over stage fright is to have as much exposure as possible. He also said that most students do fairly well in speech classes. "They're aware that they're on display, and know that the better they prepare, the fewer problems they're likely to have."

Mrs. Hicks said that a little nervousness is good, and according to Mr. Stevens, "Stage fright can produce stars!"



What is your cure for stage fright?

Pam
Zielinski
sophomore



"I try not to go up there by myself. If I can have somebody up there with me, that helps. //

Niki
Beres
sophomore



"I just act like I'm practicing at home, and pretend that no one else is around. //

Tom
Reising
junior



"Practice it enough so you know it and don't have to get nervous. //

Melissa
Hatfield
senior



"Take a deep breath and pretend that the people aren't there. Also, just concentrate. //



Senior Chris Nehemiah gives her informative speech on tarantulas. Speech is one of the required classes students must take at PHS.



In Mr. Bodnar's 10th hour acting class, junior Shelly Workman pretends to cheat on a test while performing her pantomime.



Mr. William Bodnar, speech and acting teacher, discusses informative speeches with one of his classes.

On Stage

String members getting in tune

An intense interest in music prompted students to join orchestra.

Junior Tammy McGuire said that she decided to play the cello because her family plays the violin and she wanted to be different.

"I decided to play the bass because it's different and has a cool sound," said junior Bob Hamilton.

"I decided to play the viola because the violin squeaks," said Erica Dombey, junior.

"I started out playing the bass, but it was too bothersome, so I decided to play the cello instead," said senior Carrie Karabin. "The cello also has good sound."

"I decided to play the viola because it's different from the violin," said Melissa Mitchell, junior.

Sophomore Susanna Rains said that she decided to play the cello because she liked the sound.

"I have been playing in the orchestra since sixth grade," said Scott Hoesman, senior.

"I have been playing the bass for six years and I hope to go into music when I graduate," said Bob Hamilton, junior.

"I decided to join the orchestra because of family back up," said Melissa

Mitchell, junior.

Carrie Karabin said that the reason she joined orchestra was because she likes music and loves classical music. "I also took a test in fifth grade that indicated that I was musically inclined."

Donna Smith, junior, said that she joined orchestra because she was interested in music and orchestra.

"I joined orchestra because I wanted to be involved in music, but not be in band," said Erica Dombey.

"I joined orchestra because I liked classical music," said Bob Hamilton, junior.

Carrie Karabin said she is third chair of the cellos.

"I've never taken private lessons for the viola and I'm in sixth chair," said Erica Dombey, junior.

Tammy McGuire, junior, said she was the seventh chair in the cellos.

"I take private lessons," said Melissa Mitchell. She was also in first chair.

Scott Hoesman, senior, said he used to take private lessons for his violin and took third chair.

A student could join orchestra in sixth grade during middle school.



What do you expect the symphonic band to accomplish this year?

Adelene
Rivera
junior



"A first in district and be in the top five in superstate."

Tina
Wiggins
senior



"To go to superstate."

Rick
Havrilla
junior



"To go to superstate and do well."

Shawn
Green
senior



"To make it to superstate."

In concert band, sophomores Kelly Curtis and Maureen Volk practice playing Walt Disney overture on the saxophone.

In Choraliers, senior Julie Singh reads over "Everybody Loves My Baby" for their routine at the YMCA.



Getting in tune for the Chesterton ensemble contest are junior Jennifer Cimbala, sophomore Niki Beres and junior Monica Kazmier.

Choraliers • Symphonic • Concert • Jazz • Pep

Keeping in shape is a requirement

Physical education was considered a class to get away from the torture of everyday homework. It was also a time to relax and have fun.

Senior Lora Berquist said that she took volleyball for the fun of it. "I think PE should be required to teach sportsmanship," said Lora.

"I took weight lifting as a fun class," said freshman Jeff Baros.

Some thought PE should be required, while others were against it. Two years were required.

"I don't think PE should be required, because it doesn't teach you things that you can use later in life," said LeeAnn Ashby, freshman.

"I think you should sign up for PE class only if you want to," said Steve Peute, sophomore.

"PE shouldn't be required," said senior Stacy Mitchell.

"I don't think PE should be required, because it's not a subject," said Jeff Baros.

Jennifer Slane, junior, said that PE should be required for the people who don't know how to swim and it's also a different environment.

"I think it should be required for

physical awareness," said sophomore Mike Helton.

He said that PE is required to get teens in shape.

"The best thing about PE is that it's a class you don't have to study for, and it keeps you fit," said Steve.

"The thing I like best about PE is that there is no books and it's different," said Jennifer.

Suzanne Aitken, sophomore, said that PE was a free period to let loose.

"I don't like anything about PE," said senior Stacy Mitchell.

There was a wide selection of PE classes to choose from, and the classes students liked most varied.

Senior Eric Lindfelt said his favorite sport in PE is football.

"Hockey is my favorite sport in PE," said LeeAnn.

"My favorite sport in PE is softball," said Suzanne.

Steve said that his favorite sport in PE was football.

PE was a way to get away from all the homework and have fun. Also, it was a good way to get in shape and talk with your friends.



What has JROTC taught you?

Pat
Trembly
senior



"It taught me how to be a better person."

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Tracey
Blackburn
sophomore



"It taught me not to be afraid of others."

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Sally
Palko
sophomore



"It taught me how to work together with other people."

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Rich
Brockway
senior



"It taught me how to be a good leader and citizen."

''

A JROTC member at PHS is junior Jeff Rak as he shows a bit of twirl for the camera.

While sophomore Teena Gregory is stunned, senior Kara Morin puts some action in their game of table tennis.



Showing a bit of leg while she attempts a double stag handstand on the balance beam is freshman Chris Foreman.

Tennis • Basketball • Swimming

Non-required classes that for some are occupations

Industrial technology, home economics and art classes were not required, but many students still signed up for the courses.

"Art, industrial technology and home economics let you be your own self and creator," said junior Susie Herring.

Sophomore Jamie Hatzis said, "Industrial technology would help because after I get out of school and move on to a future, I can build a house or a garage and be proud of it."

Sophomore Renae Grace said home economics teaches the basic skills of cooking and then gets into the more difficult ones.

Students took art, industrial technology and home economics for many different reasons. Sophomore Dawn Kwilas took art foundations and ceramics because the classes are fun.

"I took drafting to learn about drawing," said freshman Anthony Brown.

"I took metals, drafting, electronics and power technology because I like them, and I'm going to major in electronics," said Bryan Bartelheim, sophomore.

Junior Bob Kuhl took drawing and painting 2 for an easy credit.

"Non-required classes are more fun than the required classes because students can talk while working," said sophomore Renae Grace.

Mrs. Jane Lowenstine, art teacher, said, "Students either take art courses for genuine interest or credits to graduate."

"Students take art because they are interested in art, or they take it as an easy credit," said art teacher Mr. Richard Shearer.

Mr. Tom Hardebeck, metals teacher, said, "Students who take metals want to learn some of the skills involved in the metal industry."

"Some take the non-required classes for granted, and some don't. It just depends how interesting the classes are," said junior Susie Herring.

Senior Mark Connors said that some do take non-required classes for granted.

"I think art, industrial technology and home economics classes are just an easy hour to take a break from the harder classes," said Bryan Bartelheim, "a blow off class."

Mr. Shearer said that some students take art for granted.

Mrs. Lowenstine said, "The classes I like the most are ceramics and photogra-

phy because the students are enthusiastic and interested." Mr. Shearer liked teaching photography and ceramic classes the most because of personal interest.

Christina Chapman, senior, said that home economics, art, and industrial technology shouldn't be required because some people already know how to do the things taught in these classes. Junior Sandy Goggins said, "Home economics should be required, because then more men would know how to cook."

Senior Fred Langston said, "I don't feel the classes should be required because everyone isn't talented in the same areas. Some students are academically talented." Sophomore Jamie Hatzis feels that those classes should be required because then the students can learn something different and do something constructive.

"Students can learn art, industrial technology and home economics on their own time, but need more help learning the required classes," said Sharon Barnes, junior.

Industrial technology, art, and home economics will help many students find an occupation as a carpenter, artist, cook, or other career.

What is your favorite food and why?

Charlene
Irvine
sophomore



"Spaghetti, because I like the way my mom makes it. "

Mike
Alaniz
freshman



"Spaghetti, because I like my mom's sauce. "

Susie
Herring
junior



"Pizza, because I like a variety of things put together. "

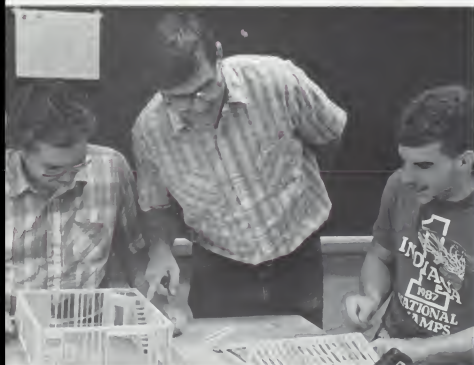
Mrs. Jane
Lowenstine
art teacher



"Linguini with clam sauce, because it tastes great. "



Watching as senior Jeff Jarosak works on a clay sculpture is senior Rick Eason in Mr. Richard Shearer's third hour sculpture class. This particular sculpture took nine weeks to complete.



In architectural drafting 3, Mr. Bruce Sheriff helps senior Dave Crawford and senior Chuck Nordyke work on a model of a garage. This was the first year they've made them.

Computers useful in English class

Essays, literature and grammar are all elements that make up an English class. This year, more than any other year, computers played a big part. English is a required class. Students had to take at least eight semesters of English to graduate.

Computers were used more than ever in English classes, and a lot of other classes. The computers that were mainly used in English classrooms had programs that included dictionaries and many other useful devices. Students used computers to type stories, edit the stories and also to print out the stories.

Another way that a computer was helpful, was that a disk could be used to store anything that the student wanted to keep. Teachers could also use the disks to check to see how the students progressed in their work. This, some teachers said, made their job a little easier.

There are some conflicting opinions on whether computers should be used in the classes. Most students agreed that the computers made their work easier.

Erica Dombey, junior, said, "It is good to use them because they learn to use the keyboard." She also said she believes computers are taking over.

Other students such as Jim Widener, junior, said, "It is stupid because if I wanted to work with computers, I would have taken a computer class."

Although students were required to take freshman, sophomore and junior English, they were allowed to take one senior English elective class. The classes included Applied English, Bible Literature, Humanities and Composition for College Bound. Students were also required to take a semester of any type of a speech class, such as Fundamentals of Speech, Introduction to Drama or a debate class.

Besides working on computers, English students also did a large variety of other activities. Diane Chabes, sophomore, said, "Taking English for three years is pretty dumb; you can only learn so much." She said that her class did a lot of reading stories and writing essays.



Computers in English class: What do you think of them?

Missy Tomak
sophomore



"It is okay to use them in English. They are kind of fun to work with, and they are kind of helpful."

Diane Chabes
sophomore



"I think it is a waste of time, because you have to learn everything over again."

Wendy Kenworthy
junior



"They are good to use. Everything is going to computers. You have to learn how to use them."

Erica Dombey
junior



"Using the computer is helpful because you also learn to use the keyboard."



Mrs. Tammy Minks' English class was busy taking notes. Note-taking is often a required part in English classes.

Doing crossword puzzles is just one of the many different types of activities that seniors Kyle Stephens and Steve Jahoda did in their English class.



Computers are an important tool

Computers made their impact in almost every way imaginable. During the last couple years, computers have left their mark.

Students were allowed to take their choice of computer classes. Those choices included BASIC computer programming and computer applications.

The three computer teachers were Mr. John DeCoster, Ms. Sue Fitch and Mr. James McCabe. Each of the teachers offered students a variety of information to help them later in life. Mr. DeCoster said one of the main ideas was for the students to "get over the fear of (the computers)." Another concept was "to let the student control the computer and not the other way around."

Mr. McCabe added, "Students don't really have a fear of computers, unlike adults who think that the computers are human."

Differences came in many forms for all students. One of the largest differences was the kind of computers used. Students that had their class at West used a Burroughs 20 (B-20) computer, while classes at East used an IBM computer. "Some of the differences were that

the B-20's were very hard to understand," said Mr. McCabe. "Also, the two types of computers can't share the same programs."

Some students don't think that computers are useful, but Mr. McCabe said, "It is very important for kids to get hands-on experience, since 60 per cent of future jobs will be computer related."

Mr. DeCoster added that it is pretty tough to get a job without using computers.

"When it comes to past usage of computers, we were probably the 'first' in the area, possibly even in the state, that offered computer classes," said Mr. McCabe.

According to Mrs. Dawn Yovanovich, media specialist, computers play a major role in students' lives. The other side to that story was that some students considered a computer another tool to help them in classes.

All things considered, there were two different types of students: the students who knew how to use computers and those who didn't, and never wanted to learn how to use them.



How do you think computers will affect your future?

Robin
Matrasko
junior



"I feel computers will have a drastic effect on everyone's future. They will be taking over everything.//

Shelly
Major
sophomore



"It could make my job easier or harder, depending the circumstances.//

Mike
Smith
sophomore



"I'm sure that computers will have a great effect on everyone's life as well as mine.//

Melissa
Mitchell
junior



"As a doctor, I could put medical records on the computer instead of files.//

Celebrating her birthday during Pow Wow, senior Melissa J. Broyhill cuts her cake.

Many English classes use computers for typing themes or term papers. This English class takes advantage of that privilege.



Concentrating on their Algebra 2 work are juniors Matt Spurling and Rhonda Kelley. They were both in Mr. Darryl Schultz's 6/7 hour class. Algebra 2 is the next math class after Geometry.

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Why is science a requirement?

Science is a class that everyone had to eventually take, but why?

"I think science was required to get a better understanding of our environment," said Mr. Marvin Guernsey, science teacher.

Sophomore Paula Motsinger said that science should be required. It was required with two years for freshmen, sophomores, and juniors and one year for seniors. The Class of '88 was the last group to follow the old state science requirement for graduation.

Most students take more than two years of science for the profession they want to get into. "I was taking four years of science for the profession I was planning on," said sophomore Marsha Curl. Julie Sitar, sophomore, said, "I was taking four years of science because I was planning to go into the medical field, and it's needed."

A few students thought that science should be required for one more year. Junior Heather Sullivan said science should be required for one more year. Mrs. Pat Strawbridge said science would be helpful to the students because the more they know, the better off they are.

"I think science was helpful to students to see how their bodies worked," said Mrs. Robyn Ward.

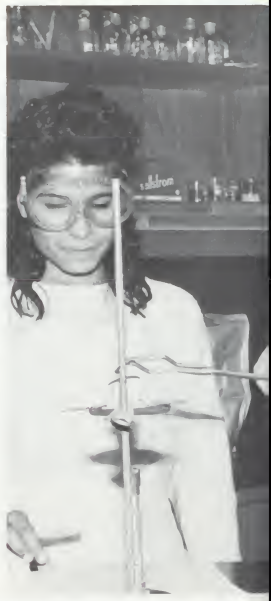
"I'm taking four years of science because it's interesting," said junior Mark Ontiveros.

"Everybody should know a little science because knowing why things happen is helpful," said senior Brian Zelenick. Heather Sullivan said that science should be required because people never know when they are going to use it.

However, "if you don't plan on using science in the future, you shouldn't have to take it," said Jim Wilkie, junior.

"I don't think science should be required because this is America, and we should have our own choice," said Kevin Myers, senior. "I don't think science should be required if students aren't going to use it in their future," said junior Jim Wilkie.

Teachers said instructing science helped them fulfill their goals. "I picked teaching as an occupation because I've always enjoyed Biology," said Mrs. Ward. Mrs. Pat Strawbridge said she didn't want to leave school, and that's why she became a teacher.



Do you think Health should be required?

Mike
Batusic
sophomore



"Yes, to learn about how things affect your body. //

Sandy
Goggins
junior



"Yes, because everybody needs to know about it. //

Carrie
Karabin
senior



"Yes, because later in life you need to know it. //

Mark
Reid
sophomore



"Yes, because it teaches some very important facts about the human body. //

Heating up magnesium in a crucible to form magnesium oxide in Mrs. Pat Strawbridge's chemistry class are junior Ann James and sophomore Becky Scharpf.



In Biology, freshmen Darryl Locasto and Kenny Morris are examining "frog guts" through a microscope.

Sophomore Missy Mangold escaped from study hall to make up a health test in Mr. Arol Amling's class.



Foreign culture draws enrollment

Foreign language is usually taken for college or study of culture. "I took a foreign language to get into college," said senior Andy Middleton. Junior Susie Herring said she took a foreign language for college and to study the culture.

Some of the foreign language teachers' numbers of students varied from about 65 to 180 students. Mrs. Lynn Huerta, Spanish teacher, commented that she had about 180 students in her Spanish classes. "I picked Spanish because it was easier," said Mark Wefler, junior.

"I wanted to take a language that everyone else wasn't taking, that's why I took French," explained Niki Beres, sophomore.

The reason many students took Spanish was because it has a reputation of being easy. There were honor courses offered for years two, three and four in Spanish. In the other languages, only year four was honors. There were also a lot of people who spoke Spanish in the United States, and so knowing that language may be useful in speaking to peo-

ple who don't know English.

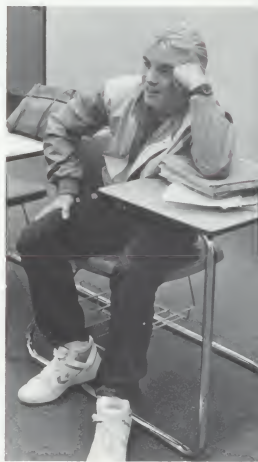
Sophomore Charlene Irvine said she took German because her ancestors were German. German teacher Mrs. Ruth Harbrecht explained, "Many people who take Spanish were afraid of German and thought it was too hard." She went on to say, "I think people take Spanish more because it offers honors in second year, which encourages people who worry about their GPA."

The foreign language teachers had reasons for becoming educators for that particular language. "There weren't a lot of courses offered when I studied a year in France, and that's how I fell into teaching French," explained Mr. David Mastly, French teacher.

"I enjoyed Latin more than anything else in high school, so I became a Latin teacher," explained Mr. Bill Schott, Latin teacher.

Frau Harbrecht said she became a German teacher because it was her heritage and she wanted to share it with everyone.

In Senora Peda's third hour Spanish class, junior Dan McKittrick listens to her speak.



What is your favorite foreign language expression? Explain why.

Gordon
McClendon
junior



"Yo no sé because it means 'I don't know'."

Rachel
Cox
sophomore



"Chow, because it reminds me of food."

Mr. David
Mastly
French teacher



"Dégueulasse, because it's French for 'nearly or grossly'."

Traci
Reynolds
senior



"MNP. In Russia it's peace, hopefully, for the world."



German American day was celebrated in Mrs. Ruth Harbrecht's German 2 class. Frau Harbrecht talks to her class about the German flag.

Juniors Sarah Elderkin, Lori Ahner and Monica Kazmier sing the song "Mon Merle" in French 3.



Hola•Tag•Salut•Salve•Hello

Classes offer a good investment

"I took auto mechanics because I like working on cars. It's a fun and interesting class. Plus, this class helps me because I'm planning on going to college and studying auto mechanics," said senior Ike Prieto. To help to prepare for a future career was the reason many students took a vocational class.

Yet other students chose a vocational class for other practical reasons. "I took building trades to learn how to build a house. I learn a lot of useful knowledge in the class that I can use in the future," said senior Bob Romanov.

Vocational classes were offered to juniors and seniors. Everything from electronics to industrial arts to even dental assisting was offered. Vocational classes were from two to five hours of the day, during either the morning or the afternoon.

Architectural drafting was offered at Valparaiso High School for both juniors and seniors. This class lasted for two hours every morning. The only thing that was required for this class was one year of a drafting class and transportation to and from the school. The students in the class drew floor plans on both paper and on computer.

Senior Cassie Gouger took the class and said it has helped her a lot. "It has helped me decide my future plans. It has also helped me to better understand the concepts of buildings," said Cassie. She plans to attend Purdue University to study to become an architectural engineer.

Beauty school was another vocational class offered to seniors. Senior Sherri Claxton said she liked the time she spent at Don Roberts School of Beauty. "I like beauty school because by taking this class I'm open to a lot of career fields," said Sherry. This class was also in Valpo, but it lasted for five hours of the day.

A class that lasted for one class hour and an additional 10 hours a week in an office was dental assisting. Seniors who wanted to take this class had to fill out applications and be interviewed before being accepted into the program. Senior Bev Sable, who plans to be a dental hygienist, liked the class because she got dental experience while she was still in high school.

Taking a vocational class was a chance for many to learn more about a possible career.



Is your vocational class worth your time and effort?

Cassie
Gouger
senior



"Yes, it has helped me plan for my future. I would have never got the education at Portage."

Bob
Romanov
senior



"Yes, I like the class a lot. It has taught me a lot of things I didn't know."

Bev
Sable
senior



"Yes, it has helped me to decide my future plans. I've also learned a lot of valuable information and skills."

Sherri
Claxton
senior



"Yes, it's great because I'm getting the experience while I'm in high school."

Auto mechanics was offered to both juniors and seniors. Seniors like Prieto and Terry Filipas work on an automobile at Willowcreek Middle School where the class was held.

Diligently making Christmas wreaths are Mrs. Renee Turpa's and Mrs. Gail Trobaugh's third hour classes. The project took about three weeks to complete.



Junior Jeff Dame is involved in the prevocational program. Jeff works on a project for the class.

Auto • Electronics • Dental

Variety shows in social studies

Students got a rare chance second semester to help strengthen the business climate in Portage.

Mr. Michael Lemond's first hour economics class worked with the Community Organization on Industry Location (COIL). Six student subcommittees worked to attract companies to the city. One target business was a movie theater.

With a Presidential election in sight, students conducted a mock election. Republican George Bush grabbed 81 per cent of the votes among 928 cast in the Republican "primary". On the Democratic side, Michael Dukakis took first with 66 per cent on the mock Democratic ballot, with 874 voting.

The Constitution, World War 2, Buddhism and social problems occupied other classes. Some students were required to turn in typed term papers, while others enacted a trial.

Many students interviewed said they benefitted from social studies class.

Diane Chabes, sophomore, took World Geography. She said, "I loved that class. It was great. We always talked about fun stuff. Some of my favorite topics were the drug problem in the country, learning about other countries and having guest speakers. I think it is a very good class to take."

Along with the fun came hard work, however. Sophomore Missy Tomak said, "I learned a lot and had fun while in World Culture. However, there was a large amount of work, also. Doing a term paper was very hard because it was the first time I had ever done one. The first day I walked into class, I was assigned about 300 pages of reading to do. I thought the teacher was kidding."



What event in your year of social studies do you remember the most?

Diane
Chabes
sophomore



"When we studied African culture, and also when we learned about drugs in Columbia. //

Missy
Tomak
sophomore



"The first time that I realized that I had a really intelligent idea. //

Kim
Krueger
junior



"When we talked about rape and had the guest speakers in for a presentation. //

Wendy
Kenworthy
junior



"Having to do a term paper for the first time in my life. It was pretty hard. //



Two guest speakers in Christine Elibasich's sociology class were Ms. Joellen Priola and Mrs. Mary Jane Ruff. They were speaking at a workshop in that class that dealt with rape. Kim Krueger, junior, explained, "The workshop really made me think and to become more cautious in my actions."

In Mr. James Douglas' U.S. History class, he is busy handing out papers to the students. Mr. Douglas' honors classes were the only history classes that had to turn in term papers.

Students enact a trial in government and sociology classes. Salena Robertson, junior, played the judge, while Ky Badgley and Ramon Bazaldua, seniors, had other roles in the trial.

Typing benefits for the future

Typing and shorthand were elective classes that were offered in high school. Students took them to do better in typing term papers, and, reports, and in taking long oral notes from teachers in classes.

Michelle Recio, sophomore, said she took typing so it would help her in the future in her career.

Learning to type was an important aspect of one's high school years. Typing helped in many different careers. In secretarial work, it would benefit a lot since one would type a lot of notes and letters for the company or business one worked for. Also, it would help in the computer world which was growing rapidly, so one needed to know one's way around the keyboard. Almost every different computer had its own keyboard. One should already know and be familiar with the keyboard if one took typing in high school.

Junior Brian Janiga commented that he took typing class so it would help in computer class and in typing school reports.

Shorthand came in handy when going for a job. For instance, secretaries must

use both shorthand and typing a lot in their everyday lives while taking memos and notes from their bosses.

Many students used their shorthand ability in note taking in classes and in rough drafts of reports. Some students used them to write notes back and forth to their friends so that others could not understand what it said.

Other people used their typing ability to write letters to loved ones in far away places. Some students could type faster than they could write.

Typing also came in a lot when typing job applications to business or when typing a letter to a college for acceptance. Mistakes in the format of the letter and mistakes in the typing, could cause one a job or the college interview to where one wants to go. Senior Viki Pavlakovic said, "I took typing so I would do better for college term papers and for business papers."

No matter what career one went into, both typing and shorthand came in handy in everyday life. At either work or school, one used them often, and should have known how to type or use shorthand.



How do you think typing or shorthand will help you in the future?

Pamela
Marrs
Junior



"I think it will help when dealing in computers and will help in the secretarial field."

Mike
Helton
Sophomore



"Typing would help me in college in reports and in situations dealing with typewriters or computers."

Gregg
Neill
Junior



"When I have to write themes for college. So I don't have to pay other people to type them for me."

Michelle
Sentoro
Junior



"I think shorthand will help me in taking long oral notes in high school and in college courses."



During Mr. Raymond Sifrig's typing class, Kecia Kosky taps her fingers away on the keyboard.



Practicing her shorthand is senior Pam Butler. Shorthand classes were offered to students who had thoughts about going into business.



Assistant chief of the Valparaiso police, Bob Black demonstrated self-defense techniques to health and business classes.

Ribbon • Note book • Keyboard

'P'utting it Together

Ready to buy a computer dating form, junior Brent Kingery waits for his receipt from senior Natalie Konarski. Computer dating was sponsored by NHS.

JROTC drill team members Mark West and Ken McKay, juniors, warm up together before class begins. The drill team received a first class rating in April.



Organizations find success with new ideas

Success was a goal of every organization. Striving to accomplish new ideas made a difference.

Success for Student Council was shown throughout the year. After sponsoring many dances, it sponsored a semi-formal Snow Ball. A big success came at the lock-in held in April. During this event, there was a dance, a live band, open gym, swimming and movies.

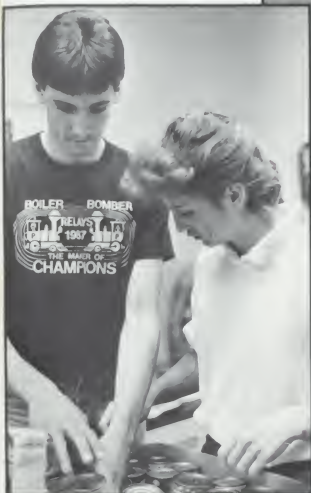
The speech team also

found success when they had two seniors, Scott Hoesman and Amanda Trosper, qualify for state competition. Junior Lourdes Cantu was an alternate.

A new club also debuted this year. The Foreign Language Honor Society was founded, and its first 42 members were inducted.

No matter what the clubs did during the year, they all strived for the same common goal: to be a success.





Packing food that Fellowship of Christian Athletes collected for a food drive are juniors David Kalina and Lynn Alkire. FCA brought in about 700 items.

Freshman Ann-Marie Andros plays the cello at a December concert. Symphonic orchestra and symphonic band went to Super State for an unprecedented third consecutive year.



The finishing touches are made on junior Ron Steve's sundae at the German Club ice cream social.



Down Central Avenue march junior Heather Holman and senior Melissa Klimazewski on July 4.

Organizations

Homemade brownies were just one of the goodies that the Pep Club made for the various sports teams. Dianna Gniadek, co-chairman for the food for the baseball team, gives food to varsity baseball player Doyle Crowe.

World Affairs, Boys' State/Girls' State — Front Row: Heather Meeks (GS), Crystal Tuncay (GS). Row 2: Vickey Dalka (Alt.), Ginger Ingram (WA), Betty Bromberg (Alt), Misty Fancher (Alt), Sandy Will (Alt), Jennifer Hile (GS), Karen Hayne (Alt). Back Row: Dan Czilli (BS), Mike Ard (Alt), Ken Matthews, (BS), Bob Jarabek (BS) Dave Kalina (WA), Scott Carr (BS), Steve Kosak (BS).



Pep Club — Front Row: Kim Hurst, Shellie Untch, Dianna Gniadek, Brenice Summerfield, Debbie Macys, Amy Pollock, Allison Lewis, LeAnne Hoyt, Kelli Anderson, Debbie Vaughn. Row 2: Julie Popp, Mary Mitchell, Missy McGurran, Colleen Hyde, Jill Stillabower, Tammy Batton, Mandi Koslow, Jackie Coffey, Jeanine Monnier, Dawn Roque, Dorie Sulich. Row 3: Heather Sedan, Annette Sanchez, Elena Iatarola, Rachel Mallonee, Lisa Gorgei, Rhonda St. Myers, Lana Cerutti, Kathy Mendez, Cindy McCormack, Kristi Melton. Back Row: Jamie Turner, Terri Kirk, Sharon Malis, Teena Gregory, Ginger Ingram, Melissa Halaschak, Lynn Alkire, Lou Lou Moorer, Tammy Rivera, Dawn Prall, Natalie Konarski.



Going to another state and studying about the world were just two of the things that juniors Dave Kalina and Ginger Ingram got to do. Dave and Ginger were chosen to attend the World Affairs seminar that was held in Wisconsin. Students discussed world problems and other topics at the seminar.



Reaching beyond school

Four groups that added excitement and spice to high school life were Pep Club, Boys' State, Girls' State and World Affairs.

Eleven juniors were selected by faculty members to attend seminars in the summer for Girls' and Boys' State and World Affairs. The Girls' State seminars are sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Boys' State is sponsored by the American Legion, and World Affairs is sponsored by the Portage Rotary Club.

According to a pamphlet by the American Legion Department of Indiana, Boys' State "is a week-long learning experience in the theory, organization and practical application of the process of our democratic form of government." Girls' State is much the same. However, World Affairs is slightly different.

World Affairs' purpose is to "bring about the better understanding of world problems on the part of high school students through a study of current issues while at the same time providing the opportunity to discuss those issues with young people from the countries concerned," explained a pamphlet from the Wisconsin World Affairs Council.

According to Mr. Ron Buls, social studies department chairman and coordinator of these programs at PHS, the workshops give practical as well as leadership experience.

Mr. Richard Kirchner, assistant principal, added, "Any kind of leadership seminar is a great opportunity."

Both Boys' and Girls' State were held at Indiana State University (ISU) at Terre Haute. The World Affairs seminar was held at University of Wisconsin at Whitewater.

Jennifer Hile, a Girls' State delegate, said that she applied because her sister said it was a good experience. Jennifer also explained that she wanted to be able to make new friends and learn new and different concepts.

Anyone was eligible to become a member of Pep Club. Pep Club did a lot of activities such as baking foods for the sports teams. They also decorated athletes' homes and lockers for sports and sold mums for Homecoming. Julie Popp, senior, sold the most mums. Also honored were most spirited, sophomore Shellie Untch, and most valuable, senior Kelli Anderson.

Selected best sport heads were Kelli Anderson, Natalie Konarski and Tammy Wood.

Pep Club held its meeting usually every Tuesday. The sponsors of this club were English teachers, Miss Gerri Kotyuk and Miss Kathy Kotyuk. They were also the sponsors of two cheerleading squads.

Pep Club sold mums for Homecoming. Melissa Mendoza is busy pinning a mum on Dawn Pratl, while Lynn Alkire helps her. Melissa and Lynn were both Pep Club members.

Pep Club, Boys' State, Girls' State, World Affairs

Varsity Cheerleaders — Front Row: Dawn Roque, Dorie Sulich, Debbie Vaughn, Mandy Konlow, Melissa Haaschak. Back Row: Lynn Alkire, Leanne Hoyt, Kelli Anderson, Allison Lewis, Natalie Konarski.



JV Cheerleaders — Front Row: Debbie Macys, Niki Beres, Dianna Gnadek, Kim Hurst. Back Row: Amy Pollock, Kristin Pieper, Shellie Untch, Brenice Summerfield, Jamie Turner.



Freshman Cheerleaders — Front Row: Ljubica Djordjevic, Kelli Mattix, Kyle Swerdon, Lisa Vogan, Kelli Nabhan. Back Row: Jenny Ozbolt, JoLynn Rambo, Michelle Roque, Kathleen Djumovich.



Pom Poms — Front Row: Heather Harwood, Elena Iatarola, Mary Mitchell, Rachel Mallonee, Lisa Gorgei, Tina Blachy, Lou Lou Mooer. Row 2: Kristi Melton, Heather Sedan, Kym Jackson, Julie Popp, Missy McCurren, Kathy Mendez, Lana Cerutti. Back Row: Beth Scheier, Jill Stillabower, Dawn Prall, Colleen Hyde, Ginger Ingram, Sharon Malis, Teena Gregory, Jeanine Monnier, Rhonda St. Myers, Cindy McCormack, Tammy Batton, Jackie Coffee.



Lifters — Front Row: Aaron Gallardo, Ralph Runions, Jerry Davidson, Mike Cox. Back Row: Chuck Krostag, Marc Cleveland, Mike Gray, Randy Jackson.



Showing school spirit

Who are they, the girls that cheer and scream at football and basketball games and everywhere you go; the ones that are always in the red and white uniforms?

They were the cheerleaders and the pom pons. The cheerleaders do cheers, pyramids and mounts. The pom pons do a song and dance routine to music.

There were three cheerleading squads: varsity, junior varsity and a freshman squad. JV and freshman squad each had nine members, while the varsity squad had 10. The pom pon squad consisted of about 30 girls.

To be on either pom pons or cheerleading, someone had to try out in the spring of the preceding school year. Also, to be a cheerleader or pom pon someone had to be willing to put in a lot of her own time. "You have to really want to do it, and it really helps a lot to

have very understanding parents," said Dorie Sulich, senior, a varsity cheerleader.

Cheerleaders had practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. It lasted about 45 minutes to an hour. There was also time put in at games, sometimes two more days a week. Kyle Swerdon, freshman cheerleader, said that cheerleading was definitely worth her time and effort because it is a lot of fun and she also got a lot of experience. "I've also met a bunch of new people and friends because of being a cheerleader." She said that a cheerleader had to be responsible, get good grades and possess leadership capabilities.

Niki Beres, JV cheerleader, said that being a cheerleader is a good way to "show school spirit and to meet new friends."



Two varsity cheerleaders, Leanne Hoyt and Lynn Alkire are held up by the lifters at a varsity football game.

Go Big Red. That's what varsity cheerleaders, Dorie Sulich and Melissa Halaschak said at this football game. Dorie said, "I think everyone should go out for cheerleading; it's not just one big clique."

"I thought it would be a lot of fun," said Lisa Vogan, freshman. The only varsity game the freshman cheered at was Homecoming.

Cheerleaders, Pom Pons, Lifters

Freshman Chorus — Front Row: Barbi Isbell, Kristie Wright, Jackie Torres, Jeannie Peele, Shannon Smith, Mandy Reid, Nikki Collins, Kelly Lazinski, Shawn Glad. Row 2: Trena Papageorge, Angel Coon, Karen Bane, Robin Stanley, Anita Heath, Brenda Miller, Maggie Bedroya, Joelynn Bighart, Michelle D'Aloisio, Maria Pallick. Row 3: Shannon Bogucki, Angie Foster, Lisa Zielinski, Samantha Essig, Melissa Berman, Stacie Coomer, Danielle Shaw, Diana Blanchard, Michelle Roque, Jennifer Matteson. Back Row: Crissy Rodriguez, Debbie Bliss, Casey Clem, Sherry Grinder, Walt Grishka, Joe Young, Jason O'Dell, Mark Rybecki, Bob Tilford, Kristina Matlock.



Concert Choir — Front Row: Michelle Larson, Carla Winegar, Hope Wylie, Pam Ellis, Julie Hinton. Row 2: Adalicia De León, Stacy Rieckermann, Theresa Roop, Janet Linsmeier, Tina Waterhouse, Kris Blanton. Back Row: Viki Pavlakovic, Dorina Thiery, Tammy Powrozek, Meredith Becker, Tracy Keenan.



Concert Band — Front Row: Heidi Buonomo, Chuck Burk, Michelle Sulzer, Anna Koughn, Lisa Hincley, Cheryl Vogt, Amy Clampitt, Catrina Thomas, Kelly Curtis. Row 2: Robin Elliott, Michele Miller, Jenni Mitckess, Martha Ralph, Connie McKeown, Sandee Joseph, Cija Artis, Missy Franklin, Maureen Volk. Row 3: Val Turner, Emily Jordan, Julie Lorraine, Dawn Bingham, Sharee Burney, Amy Brantley, Andy Brown, Bill Uporsky, Elaine Gergely. Back Row: Nathan Gadzala, Sandy Hill, Susan Mirell, Larry Achten, Jeff Dalton, Greg Evanatz, Jennifer Batronis, Ruben Ortiz, Herminio Santana.



Concert Band — Front Row: Christopher Dumis, Laura Thomas, Crystal Macchiarella, Erin O'Neil, Anne May, Mike Smith, Andi Holland. Row 2: Charles Logsdon, Dan Robinson, Jeff Merfield, Shawn Whiteside, Keith Barnard, Ceanne Richardson. Back Row: Bob Dick, Duane Hensley, John Alberts, Mark Longstreet, Tom Gross, Ken Shield, Matt Hill.



The freshmen chorus sings at the Christmas concert. The freshmen also sang at the sacred concert and the solo and ensemble contest.

"Concert choir has improved dramatically," said Mr. Scott Schafer, concert and freshman choir director. Michelle Larson sings during her 9th hour choir class.



Friends make the time fly

The concert and freshman choir members had a busy year.

Each choir participated in several concerts, and many of the individual members competed in the solo and ensemble contest.

The choirs sang at the Christmas concert, the sacred concert and contests. Freshmen Michelle Roque, Shannon Bogucki, Angel Coon, Barbi Isbell, Brenda Miller, and Maria Pallick received firsts in solo competition, while Julie Hinton accompanied them on the piano. Michelle and Angel also played piano for their selections.

Although solos weren't required, many students decided to participate in them. Barbi said, "I want to be a singer, so I want to get all of the practice in front of an audience that I can."

Mr. Scott Schafer, director for both choirs, said, "Although rather short on male voices, we had some good voices and hard workers." There were no boys in concert choir and only five in the freshman choir.

Sophomore Theresa Roop said that she enjoyed being in concert choir. She said that many of the people in the class quickly became friends, and that that made the class even more fun. Sophomore Stacy Rieckermann agreed that being in such a friendly class helped pass the time.

Many of the members also agreed that

the class seemed to go by faster than other classes because of the friendships made. Stacy said that the time seemed to "just fly by".

The members of freshman choir also made new friendships, especially with students from the middle school other than what they attended. Barbi said, "It was neat having all the people from both choirs together. It took a while to get used to each other, but once we did, the choir was really good."

Maria Pallick said, "I met a lot of people and got to know them. It helps break up the monotony of the class."

Freshman Kelly Lazinski said that she joined choir because she loved singing. She said that singing was the best part of the class, while Maria and Barbi both enjoyed the concerts and contest most.

While some of the students had aspirations for becoming professional singers, many took the class simply to enjoy themselves. Regardless of why the students took the class, Mr. Schafer said that they were some of his better students.

Mr. Schafer also said that the members had good attitudes and "improved dramatically over last year's group."

Practicing during class, the concert choir concentrates on learning their music. Several of the members of the choir said that they made many friendships during the year.



"I've had a lot of fun in choir this year," said sophomore Theresa Roop. Here the concert choir sings at the Christmas concert.

Concert Choir, Freshman Chorus, Concert Band

Symphonic Orchestra — Front Row: Joyce Warren, Peggy Bradbury, Shana Stanley, Shelly Major, Eric Jetmund, Christy Pierce, Donna Bradbury. Row 2: Kurt Shipley, Kristen Lindstrom, Edna Wherry, Donna Smith, Kristi Spetz, Sharon Keen, Laura Jones. Row 3: Camille Robbins, Rose Adames, Kimmy Grochowski, Beth Simola, Michelle Phlegley, Lianne Jakich. Back Row: Joe Hall, Jeanne Andros, Francie Claussen, Denny Dalka, Jeffrey Miller, Julie Popp, Charlene Irvine.



Symphonic Orchestra — Front Row: Erica Dombey, Patricia Coker, Susanna Rains, Kathryn Mantuffel, Elena Iatarola, Michelle Forrest, Mimi Hall, Tammy McGuire. Row 2: Carla Winegar, Melanie Lamb, Holly Griffith, Billie Price, Stephanie Marshall, Carrie Katabin, Jennifer Lute. Back Row: Sara Cimbala, Jim Shirvinski, Joel Tennant, Mark Reid, Matt Sargent, Lori Propson, Melissa Mitchell, Jennifer Fasel.



Symphonic Orchestra — Front Row: Niki Beres, Melissa Knight, Beth Solitis, Jennifer Cimbala, Monica Kazmier, Marissela Villanueva. Row 2: Chris Harrison, Bruce Starr, Scott Hoesman, Jim Borden, John Mathis, Sarah Elderkin. Back Row: Michele Maceri, Bob Hamilton, Christopher Havilla, Jim Utley, Dave Lopez, Kerry Adams.



Concert Orchestra — Front Row: Angela Sherbit, Mike Scholebo, Bessie Pishogies, Shelly Matteson, Todd Willis, Michelle Gibson. Row 2: Peggy Price, Nicole Sarich, Barb Thorn, Curtis Hamilton, Julianne Helton, Amy Simola. Row 3: Amy Joselyn, Teresa Byers, Joy Reber, Brian Kellogg, Ann Marie Andros, Sean Corey. Back Row: Anita Rubalcava, Nathaniel Chadock, David Machin, Jason Phillips, John McLean, Chance Hodges, Karen Flach.



Mr. Ray Grivetti gets ready to conduct, as the symphonic orchestra awaits his cue at their Christmas concert.





Ochestra plays on and on

The orchestra spent many hours in school and out of school practicing for various events that occurred for them during the school year.

There were two orchestras, symphonic and concert. Tenth through twelfth graders made up the symphonic orchestra, while the concert orchestra consisted only of ninth graders.

The symphonic orchestra played a recruiting concert to persuade fifth graders to join the orchestra in sixth grade. Senior Jim Borden, who had been playing the violin for six and one half years, commented on the recruiting concert, "I really enjoy putting it on, but I don't think that the concert is as persuasive as hoped."

On the other hand, Michelle Forrest, junior, also a cello player, believed that the fifth grade children that attended the concert really enjoyed it and that it persuaded a lot of them to join.

The orchestra also had many other activities besides the recruiting concert. To raise money for the music department, the members sold cheese and sausage. They also put on Christmas and spring concerts. Junior Lori Propsom commented that she really enjoyed putting on the concerts, going to contests and playing with the symphonic orchestra. The symphonic orchestra was in Group I in contest competition.

Many students participated in orches-

tra State Solo and Ensemble contest. First place ratings went to junior Bob Hamilton in his string bass solo and to the large string ensemble which consisted of Beth Soltis, Bruce Starr, John Mathis, Jennifer Cimbala, Sarah Elderkin, Monica Kazmier, Christopher Havrilla, Jim Borden, Melissa Mitchell, Holly Griffith, Lori Propsom, Susanna Rains and Bob Hamilton.

The orchestra went to the symphony in Chicago for the first time. Junior Erica Dombey commented that it was not exactly what she expected it to be. Dombey expected the symphony to play concert pieces instead of just playing songs from movies or TV shows. She said she felt that the professional orchestra was not playing up to their normal potential because they were just playing for high school students instead of playing for a regular audience.

Most of the members of the symphonic orchestra also had the honor of playing at midterm graduation, which was held in the auditorium on Jan. 24.

Getting into the rhythm of things, sophomores Susanna Rains and Patricia Coker play their cellos during the December concert.



Violin players sophomore Melissa Knight and senior Beth Soltis concentrate on a good performance.



Cello players, senior Carrie Karabin and junior Michelle Forrest, play with full force at their Christmas concert.

Symphonic Orchestra, Concert Orchestra

Freshman Band — Front Row: Adrienne Patty, Joe Ott, Rade Obradovic, Ljibica Djordjevic, Kelly Blaszkiewicz. Row 2: Jony Walker, Tracy Fugate, Vicky Brown, Kristine Schneider, Stephanie Serrano. Back Row: Danielle Donohue, Tracy Ne-loff, Shannon Dailey, Susan Pierce, Dan Herring.



Freshman Band — Front Row: Barb Thorn, Deanna Walliske, Rae Ann Rockhill, Jennifer Schafer, Nikki Hamilton. Row 2: Lisa Dickerson, Sandi Crook, Jackie Grochowski, Shelly Novak, Angel Coon. Back Row: Tracey Westforth, Sigrid Fisher, Kasey Curtis, Jamie Verboon, Mark Click.



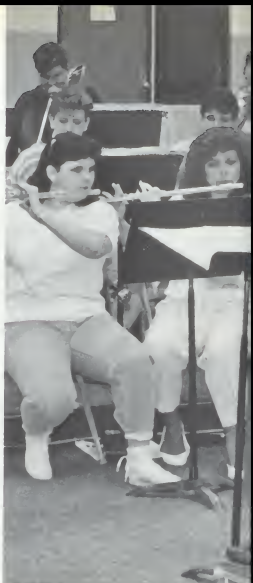
Freshman Band — Front Row: Ryan Jones, Randy Hicks, Tim Ellison, Vince Davis, Marc England, David Putman. Row 2: Christina Koughn, Joyce Wilson, Danielle Lynch, Chris Taggart, Mike Hendrix, Stephanie Vincent.



Freshman Band — Front Row: Rick Kinney, Mitch McWhirter, Jason Phillips, Dan Marcotte, Nathaniel Chaddock. Row 2: Bryce Pickering, David Leyba, David Hill, Jim Wyatt, Eric Hienstra, Angela Sherbit. Back Row: Teresa Achten, Drake Blinco, Rick Miazga, John Hall, John Valavik.



Showing off his trumpet expertise, Mr. Robert Symer plays in front of his freshman band class.



Receiving helpful hints, freshmen flutest Kelly Blaszkiewicz and Adrienne Patty listen to the direction of Mr. Robert Symer.

N ot all fun and games

Band classes were found to be not just fun and games. According to Mr. Robert Symer, freshman band director, this year was the "best yet because every year the kids improve in the middle schools." He also said that his favorite part of band was "seeing the students learn and have fun at the same time."

Freshman flute player Rae Ann Rockhill said, "This year we learned to sight read a lot better. Mr. Symer was a tough director, but he told jokes a lot which made the class more fun!"

Although the students had fun, Jamie Verboon, freshman flutist, said "This years music was a lot harder."

Danielle Lynch, freshman trumpet player, agreed that the music was a lot harder. "I enjoy playing in the band, but I would like to really play jazz instead." Danielle already was a member of Mr. Symer's Jazz II band.

John Hall, freshman trumpet player,

said, "The band works together, which is a characteristic of every good band."

Freshman Stephanie Vincent, who played mallets, said, "Everyone cooperates and makes all the music come together. I like most of the music we play." Stephanie also played mallets in pep band.

Concert band was the class which came between freshman and symphonic bands and consisted mostly of sophomores. They played in concerts, one of which was a pre-contest concert. Concert band also participated in the ISSMA (Indiana State School Music Assn.) district band contest, which was held here at Portage in the spring. By tradition, concert band was chosen to play at the graduation ceremonies.

Concentrating intensely on her music, Michelle Miller plays at a concert. Concert band played at three concerts, plus contest and graduation.



Trying hard to perfect their music, the freshman trumpet line practices during first hour band class.



Freshman And Concert Band

Marching Indians Woodwinds — Front Row: Kelly Blaskiewicz, Lisa Hinchley, Julie Foster, Angie Brasser, Angel Coon, Amy Clamptitt, Lori Ahner, Kathy Dash. **Row 2:** Tracy Lovell, Tracey Westforth, Dawnn Bingham, Faith Schweitzer, Laura Blanton, Carrie Yae, Lori Terant, Jen Schuler, Christie Shaffer, Sue Moxell, Sigrid Fisher. **Row 3:** Wendy Kenworthy, Kevin Fawcett, Michelle Forrest, Cathy Brunker, Rade Obradovic, Bill Uporsky, Mike Ard, Kathy Willis, Annessa Chaddock, Bill Dillard, Sherry Burrey. **Row 4:** John Dalton, Lisa Burgess, Christy Estes, Tracy Fugate, Teresa Achten, Angela Sherbit, Eric Huemstra, Sam Haines, Ruben Cruz, Danny Herring, John Vachlik.



Marching Indians Brass and Percussion — Front Row: Susie Herring, Ken Shield, Julie Lorange, Xavier Perez, Valeria Vachlik, Ryan Jones, Guy Strong, Jeff Campbell, Larry Achten, Chad Hayes, Stephanie Vincent, Heather Meeks. **Row 2:** David Hill, Andi Holland, Shawn Green, David Paiman, David Leyba, Dave Schneider, Laura Thomas, Jayce Wilson, Mike Smith, Jeff Merfield, Shawn Whitson, Tam Gross. **Row 3:** Phil Moore, Luana Douthitt, Emily Jordan, Jenn Williams. **Back Row:** Mr. Richard York, Mr. Robert Symer, Nathaniel Chaddock, Chris Taggart, Dale Cruz, Eric Thomas, Rick Maaga, Cathy Huey, Ron Steve, Brian Oster, Rick Havilla.



Indianettes — Front Row: Stacy Rodarte, Danielle White, Crystal Macchiarella, Jodi Michalak, Marilyn Tressler, Esther Rosales, Nicole Sarich, drum majors Tina Wiggins, Debi Daniels, instructor Michelle Enright. **Row 2:** Lisa Medlin, Kelly McClarkin, Lisa Boling, Amy Richmond, Janet Linsmeier, Tina Jones, Shannon Buckner, Krissan Ross, Vicky Zills. **Row 3:** Vicky Pyke, Shelly Major, Tammy Wood, Michelle Montague, Dana Castellanos, Dominique Decaire, Annette Sanchez. **Back Row:** Candy Sawyer, Heather Holman, Sue Seifrig, Jennifer Luellman, Jennifer Late, Wendy Bragg, Lisa Dickerson.



Freshman drummer Ryan Jones and sophomore Ken Shield take advantage of the saying "practice makes perfect."

Senior Shawn Green practices a solo from West Side Story for the contest show.



Marching the Bicentennial Show, drumline helps in performing "American Fantasy" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Pride pushes Indians

Pride! That was the most important characteristic for a marcher to have.

Drum major Tina Wiggins, senior, said, "Pride in yourself can encompass any activity one could be in. We were all trying to achieve our personal best through hard practices and successful performances."

There were many different reasons for joining marching band. One reason was to have fun. Sophomore Ruben Ortiz explained, "I wanted to see what it was like. I heard from a lot of my friends that it was fun." Another reason was to do something different. Junior Mike Ard said, he joined "to experience more than just normal concerts and to learn how to march and play music at the same time." David Putman, freshman, said, "I joined because I like playing my instrument in different ways. I thought it would be very educational to learn how to memorize music and remember sets."

Many personal goals were set for the marching season. Mike said, "My personal goal was making high scores at all contests." Teresa Achten, freshman, "sought to learn how to play more music and do well at District Contest and try to get to State. Also, work hard and do the best I can."

Tina said, "My goals are to know that I did the absolute best I possibly could. Also, to win would be an added bonus; it must be remembered we win or we lose."

"Even though the marching band had

more potential and worked better together than before last year, it still received a second division rating," said one band member.

Mike's feelings about the rating was "it was just another piece of metal; it shows that you went to contest."

Debi Daniels, senior, and drum major, had different feelings. "I am very upset. I was really hoping we could go to regionals again this year," she said.

Ruben had just about the same reason. "It was upsetting. After it was over, I felt I could have done more to make my part better." Teresa was upset, also. "I think it means that we have the potential, but we don't have the effort from many. I was disappointed because we (the freshman and first-year marchers) did the best we could, and we haven't had a chance to know what it is like for a first, while others have. Also, I gave all of my effort, and it really didn't feel like it paid off."

Tina's feelings about the second division rating were generally the same. "We deserved what we received. Being a senior made our rating hurt even more. Hopefully, this kind of an embarrassment will never happen again. We had a super group and lots of potential, but just couldn't put it all together."

During the halftime show, Marching Indian Barb Thorn, freshman, performs for the Portage and Highland crowds.



Participating in Pep Band meant getting in games free. Juniors Annessa Chaddock, Kathy Willis and Kim Chavarria show their pride.



Marching Indians, Pep Band

Jazz Band I — Front Row: Chris Sulcer, Melanie Lamb, Wendy Kenworthy, Mike Hall, Mike Smith, John Hall. Row 2: Steve Roberts, Rick Hamman, John Chessor, Ken Shield, Scott Power, Bob Hamilton. Back Row: Phil Moore, Brian Robbins, Shawn Green, Rick Havilla, Dale Cruse, Eric Thomas.



Jazz Band II — Front Row: Cyndi Horn, Cathy Huey, Curtis Hamilton, Danielle Lynch, Eric Hienstra, Bryce Pickering. Row 2: David Putman, Rick Miazga, Ryan Jones, Ruben Ortiz, Jeff Merifield, Dan Marcotte, Tina Wiggins. Row 3: Brian LaFrance, Mike Long, John Hile, John Alberts, Randy Hicks, Shawn Whiteside.



Symphonic Band — Front Row: Chris Sulcer, Xavier Perez, Tim Costello, Lance Peltier, Debbie Bozman, Susie Herring. Row 2: Mike Elkin, Kim Chavarria, Mike Long, Scott Power, Matt Hill, Andy Brown. Back Row: Ken Shield, John Chessor, Bob Pelke, Bob Poffinbarger, Mark Ontiveros, Tom Gross.



Symphonic Band — Front Row: Heather Mills, Erin O'Neil, Dave Schneider, Jeff Merifield, Mike Hall. Row 2: Shawn Whiteside, Todd Orenick, Dave Kalina, Tom Gross, Rob Guernsey. Back Row: Kyle Phillips, Brian Oyster, Shawn Green, Rick Havilla, Eric Thomas.



Symphonic Band — Front Row: Jennifer Williams, Lourdes Cantú, Valerie Vaclavik, Terri Kirk, Julie Foster, Kathy Willis, Adlene Rivera, Kathy Dash. Row 2: Diane Richers, Angie Brasser, Heather Meeks, Melissa Welther, Luana Douthitt, Jennifer Guernsey, Cathy Brunker. Row 3: Angie Teague, Melanie Lamb, Michelle Forrest, Tracy Lovell, Deki Daniels, Marlyna Treasler, Wendy Kenworthy, Annessa Chaddock. Back Row: Kris Hominger, Bil Dillard, Ron Steve, Mike Ard, Kevin Powrozek, Wendy Bragg, Tina Wiggins, Faith Schweitzer.





Y oung jazzers work hard

Two jazz bands were open to students for their enjoyment at this school. A brief audition was required for most to be able to join. Mr. Robert Symer, band instructor, explained that the two jazz bands had many differences.

"Jazz Band I had more seniors than usual last year. Also, Jazz I had a lot of experience and a very high intelligence level."

The group possessed many strong qualities. But, as in any other group, there were weak points, also. "Sometimes I found that the band was not serious enough," Symer added. "They tended to coast, and they often found (the rehearsals) recreational."

"Although Jazz Band II was younger and less experienced, those band members were harder workers, trying to improve," said Symer.

This band also had strong points and weak ones as well. One of the weak points of this band was the amount of time it took to go over a piece of music. Mr. Symer said, "They had a high level of expectations, though." Mr. Symer hoped to get the students to go to more festivals and perform more concerts in the spring. The band did most of its playing at two concerts. One was in the

fall and one in the spring.

Many students enjoyed jazz band. Many found it helpful, in many ways. David Putman, freshman, said, "The class gave me more self-discipline. It also helped me know more about what was going on in regular class."

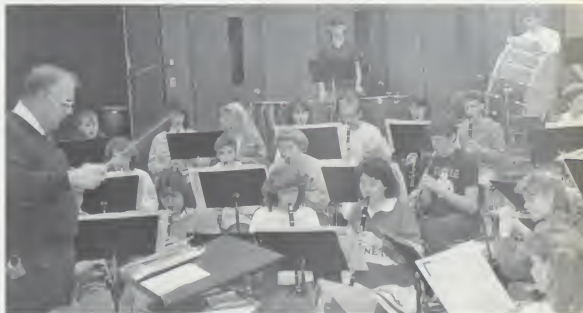
Senior Shawn Green liked jazz band because "I had a lot of friends in it. I also heard how they sounded and wanted to be in it."

State jazz band contest was held Mar. 5 at Boone Grove High School. "I'm very pleased with the students' hard work and dedication, and wish to thank all the students who were involved in any way," said Mr. Symer. The band received a first place rating.

The spring concert was May 12. Mr. Symer wanted this concert to be especially good for the seniors. "I wanted the kids to do their best and have fun, too. I could hardly wait for this concert."

Jazz I and Symphonic Bands were the two highest bands at PHS. Symphonic band was the highest regular band class a student could be in. This band was mainly composed of juniors and seniors.

The bands gave students a chance to show off the abilities they had.



During Jazz Band I class, senior saxophonist Mike Long concentrates on the music.

Directing his second hour Symphonic Band class, Mr. Martin Sensenbaugh leads his class to the song "Liberty Bell March".

Jazz Band, Symphonic Band

Choraliers — Front Row: Becky Kobialka, Dawn Roque, Julie Foster, Julie Singh, Lisa Burgess, Kathy Wiggins, Charity Cole. Back Row: Jason O'Dell, Aaron Gallardo, Ron Rohaley, Steve Palko, Marc Timberman, Tim Haraminac, Isaac Pagan.



Symphonic Choir — Front Row: Lisa Roque, Deanna Jump, Tammy Watkins, Nicki Petersen, Krissan Ross, Jenny Luellman, Lora Berquist, Pamela Kirche, Candy Sawyer, Micki Pontjeris, Cheri White. Row 2: Sarah Matusiak, Jennifer Parkinson, Julie Foster, Nicole David, Dawn Roque, Jerry Adams, Craig Kitchin, Tim Haraminac, Dave O'Malley, Jodi Michalak. Back Row: Carol Wick, Deborah Hoover, Susan Mixell, Jeanne Andros, Ron Rohaley, Gregg Neill, James Frazier, Tim Costello, Julie Singh, Cristie Thorn, Brenice Summerfield.



Practicing during their last hour class are the Choraliers. Many hours of practice were required, both during class and after school. They performed, among others, "We're So Glad" and "Close To You".

Choraliers performed many times throughout the year, and received a superior rating at contests. Singing at the music concert in December is junior Kathy Wiggins.

Preparing to sing their numbers at the December music concert are members of the Symphonic Choir. Symphonic Choir tied for third at a contest here in April.



Performing one of their routines for Choraliers are senior Charity Cole, freshman Jason O'Dell, junior Kitty Marshall and sophomore Marc Timberman.



Performing at the December Christmas concert is freshman Jason O'Dell. Choraliers were required to practice during 10th hour class, in addition to many other practices.

I nterest, talent required

An interest in singing and music and good self-discipline are some of the qualities which were required of the members of Choraliers and Symphonic Choir, according to their director, Mr. Scott Schafer.

Mr. Schafer, who resigned after two years, also said that they were required to work together, have good self-expression, good self-discipline, an interest in learning and musical amplitude, plus pleasing personal appearance and rhythm for Choraliers.

Sophomore Marc Timberman said, "The basic requirements are your ability to sing and dance, and your appearance when you perform."

Both of the singing groups received first place ratings in their contests, in

addition to performances throughout the year. Symphonic choir also sang at the Christmas concert, the Sacred concert, and the Spring Festival. Choraliers also performed at various elementary schools, Fegely Middle School, midterm and adult graduations, and for several individual organizations.

Jodi Michalak, sophomore, said that her favorite part of Symphonic Choir was "getting a first in contest, and being so excited and nervous, all at the same time." She said that she joined because "I like to sing, and it's really fun. There are a lot of nice people in there."

"I think Choraliers teaches kids how to perform well in front of big groups. In other words, it takes away a lot of stage fright," said Marc.

Choraliers, Symphonic Choir

Speech and Debate — Front Row: Xavier Perez, Denny Urchick, Lee Hadley, Lourdes Cantu, Jason Maxwell, Pres. Scott Hoesman, Treas. Jennifer Hufford. Row 2: Brenda Miller, Francie Clausen, Sec'y Amanda Trosper, Cherie Pierce, Erica Dombey, Dana Castellanos, Rose Adames, Becky Kobialka, Maggie Bedrova. Back Row: Peggy Price, Sara Gimbal, Melissa Mitchell, Lisa Burgess, Jackie Hufford, Kim Ward, Martha Ralph.



Photography Club — Front Row: Mr. Richard Shearer, Sec'y Carrie Brasser, Julie Lorange, Anne May, Diane Richers. Back Row: Susie Thomson, Missie Klimaszewski, Pres. Luana Douthitt, Kris Hominger, Chris Kobitz.

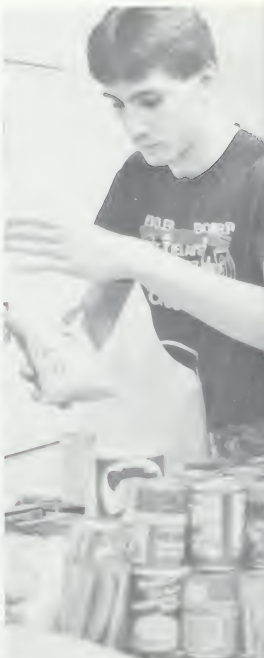


Fellowship of Christian Athletes — Front Row: Tracy Sulick, Patty Baker, Kerri Swerdon, Cassie Gouger, Amy Levenda, Kristy Rich, Katie Shurman, Janet Hall, Beth Brechner. Row 2: Tom Shurman, Drew Coleman, Kevin Matins, Glen Brechner, Eric Jones, Jim Sanders, treas. David Kalina, Mike Homme, Mike Terwilliger. Row 3: David Wayne, Mike Hall, vice-pres. Aaron Jarvis, pres. Jeff Smith, Mike Schuler, Scott Hufford, Jeanie Smeyak, Susanna Rains, Dennis Kalina. Back Row: Mr. Les Klein, Mr. Greg Fisher.



Sorting out food to take to the pantry for the needy are juniors Dave Kalina and Lynn Alkire. FCA collected about 700 cans.

Doing a duo interpretation on a play called The Prisoner on Second Avenue are juniors John Liechty and Kathy Manteuffel as they speak the parts of a feuding husband and wife.



Clubs to get involved in

Clubs are a way of meeting new people, sharing interests and having fun.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) was a organization where some athletes got together to talk about and play sports. FCA organized a scavenger hunt where FCA students were divided up into groups to look for food for Thanksgiving. They found about 700 cans.

"I liked getting together to talk about sports the most," said senior Kerri Swerdon.

Chris Reese, senior, said she liked getting together with friends the most.

"I like the way people open up to each other," said Mike Baker, senior.

Speech and debate went to different schools on Saturdays to debate other students or make speeches. The speeches were done over three times. The judges gave scores for each time and then combined all three scores and took the top five or six scores. Those people went on to the finals, and awards were handed out at the end. Mrs. Linda Hicks was the sponsor.

For the first time in history, two students qualified for the state speech tournament.

Seniors Scott Hoesman placed 4th and Amanda Trosper placed 12th in the competition which took place at North Central High School in Indianapolis. Scott qualified in poetry interpretation, while Amanda competed in discussion and ju-

nior Lourdes Cantu was named the alternate in discussion.

Photography club got together and did a variety of things. They've taken pictures of schools for the school stationery. They went to the Dunes on a field trip and sponsored a dance like many other clubs have done to raise money. Photo club raised money to make the photo department better by buying supplies.

"My aunt is a photographer, and that's what got me interested in photography," said sophomore Ricky Hegedus.

Some students don't take photography but have learned how to develop film from photo club. One example is Anne May, sophomore. She said that she liked to take pictures and loved cameras. That's what got her interested in photography.

"My friend got me interested in photo club," said Julie Lorange, sophomore. She also said she liked to take pictures, and that is another reason she joined.

Photography club, FCA, and speech and debate were a few different clubs to help pass the time while having fun sharing interests with friends.

Despite tough competition from Munster and Chesterton, Portage placed in its own tournament. Scott Hoesman, senior, was especially excited because of his own victory against a tough opponent.



Checking for dust in the enlarger was junior Kris Hominger in her first hour Photo 3 class.



FCA, Speech and Debate, Photography Club

National Honor Society — Front Row: Sarah Matusiak, Julie Foster, Dawn Roque, Beth Simola, Stacy Ball, Back Row: Jennifer Dean, Chris Reese, Scott Hufford, Mike Baker, Jennifer Hufford, Kristy Nabhan, Natalie Konarski.



National Honor Society New Members — Front Row: Melissa Halaschak, Allison Lewis, Isabel Vahedi, Row 2: Lori Ahner, Karen Hoyne, Cassie Gouger, Kelli Anderson, Debbie Vaughn, Karen Platt, Row 3: Angie Brasser, Sarah Elderkin, Crystal Tuncay, Lori Propsom, Liz Robbins, Kathryn Manteuffel, John Liechty, Back Row: Heather Meeks, Greg Coules, Jason Cain, David D. Kalina, Dan Czilli, Steve Kosak.



Quill and Scroll — Front Row: John Liechty, Karen Platt, Melissa J. Broyhill, Kathy Dash, Kevin Powrozek, Jenni Williams, Deby Sloan, Row 2: Sandy Will, Sharon Malis, Shannon Buckner, Doug Greider, Julie Vernon, Beth Belcher, Dawn Settle, Crystal Tuncay, Back Row: Carrie Brasser, Chris Mayernik, Scott Carr, Denny Urlick, Chris Kobitz, Tracy Harrington, Susan Winandy.



Foreign Language Honor Society — Front Row: Annette Brockway, Heather Meeks, Kelli McClurkin, Lori Ahner, Stacie White, Melissa Halaschak, Cyndi McCormack, Row 2: Stacy Ball, Tina Wiggins, Kurt Squire, Jennifer Lute, Diane Chales, Paula Moisinger, Back Row: Tina Sulich, Dan Czilli, Steve Kosak, Jason Cain, Lori Propsom, Julie Lorenz, Jennifer Hufford.



Foreign Language Honor Society — Front Row: Jennifer Dean, Tina Baker, Sarah Matusiak, Roberta McCausland, Debbie Vaughn, Allison Lewis, Kathy Willis, Row 2: Liz Robbins, Tracy Sulich, Michelle Eckhart, Ron Steve, Stacey Babich, Jodi Shireman, Back Row: Mike Gonzales, Brian Jose, Pat McDonald, Scott Hufford, Glen Brechner, Kevin Mattix.





A number of students are lined up to have their candles lit to be inducted into the first ever Foreign Language Honor Society.

Waiting in line during the presentation of the diplomas is NHS member Isabel Vahedi, senior. Isabel was one of 18 graduating NHS members.



Students honored in clubs

Some students showed outstanding skills in academics. Some of those students were inducted into one of the honor societies.

Quill and Scroll was an honor society for students who excel in the journalism field. One's grade point average had to be 2.6 or higher to be inducted. All students inducted into Quill and Scroll received a school letter, Quill and Scroll pin and magazine.

Sophomore Doug E. Greider, who was inducted, said, "I feel honored and proud of myself knowing that I have gone one step higher in achieving my ultimate goal by being inducted into Quill and Scroll."

National Honor Society (NHS) recognized seniors and juniors who achieved four qualifications. First, students had to achieve a 3.5 grade point average. Students had to be of service to the commu-

nity as well as the school. Students had to be strong leaders, of good character and have a positive attitude.

Senior Kelli Anderson, who was inducted, said, "It makes me feel good (being inducted) because all my studying paid off."

The first 42 members of the new honor society, the Foreign Language Honor Society (FLHS), were inducted. The major qualification for being inducted was an A- average or higher over the last three semesters.

Junior Lori Ahner, FLHS member said, "I feel that it's good that students are being recognized for their accomplishments in the foreign languages."

At the head table during the Quill and Scroll awards banquet, from rear to front, are seniors Kathy Dash and Kevin Powrozek and juniors John Liechty and Crystal Tuncay.

NHS, FLHS, Q&S

Legend — Front Row: Jenni Williams, Susan Winandy, Beth Belcher, Carrie Brasser, Shannon Welche. Row 2: Sandy Will, Kathy Dash, Deby Sloan, Dale Ailes. Back Row: Carrie Zebley, Tracy Harrington, Kevin Powrozek, Scott Carr, Julie Vernon.



News Bureau — Crystal Tuncay, Mark Newman, Scott Kirtland, John Liechty, Chris Teutemacher.



Photographers — Sue Seifrig, Shannon Buckner, Chris Kobitz, Dawn Settle, Luana Douthitt, Laura Evans.



Pow Wow — Front Row: Chrissy Bell, Sharon Malis, Ann Matuz, Melissa J. Broyhill, Karen Platt. Row 2: Mike Young, Steve Johnson, Denny Urchick, Doug E. Greider, Jason Lindquist. Back Row: Chris Mayernik, Corvin Keefover, Paul Chnupa, James Frazier, Mike Smith.



A few Pow Wow staff members went to Aylesworth Elementary School to speak to the newspaper staff. Junior Karen Platt explains the layout while junior John Liechty and Doug Greider watch.



Pubs live college life

Waking up at 5:30 in the morning on a holiday may not be exciting for most students, but Oct. 29 was just that for eight student journalists.

While most students looked at Oct. 29 and 30 as days off, students from Pow Wow, Legend, News Bureau and photography staffs anxiously awaited the 3-1/2-hour trip to Franklin College, to take part in an Indiana High School Press Assn. (IHSPA) convention.

Junior John Liechty said he was impressed with the speakers that he heard. He said he learned the most about design innovations. "Even though I was tired on Friday, it was still good," John stayed up for all but two hours of the night.

Although students went for short intensive lab sessions, there was still time for play. John went with two friends to the Phi Delta Theta fraternity haunted house. "It was weird having Jason, from Friday the 13th chase us through the basement."

While John was touring the haunted house, others went to the Halloween dance held by the IHSPA student committee. Others just went back and played games.

Karen Platt, junior, went back to her room, and she and her roommate played a book of questions game. Platt said, "I had fun there. I liked meeting new peo-

ple and getting new friends."

Seniors Kathy Dash and Julie Vernon enjoyed the trip, but became annoyed when they received phone calls at 3 a.m. from people they didn't know.

The one thing that annoyed John the most about the Franklin trip was "U2. Doug Greider (sophomore) gets up at 6 and decides to play that U2 tape of his very loudly. I had just gotten back to sleep, too."

Doug and junior Chris Kobitz had played the tape (U2) all the way to Franklin and while they were there. Chris had attended the U2 concert at the Rosemont Horizon, and was out until 2 a.m. the night before.

Junior Jenni Williams "had a blast," but missed her boyfriend. Chris had fun at the party he had with some friends he had met and kept in touch with from the Indiana University High School Journalism Institute (HSJI). Doug also had fun at a pizza party with friends he had met at HSJI. He said he hopes to go again next year and have "Pow Wow win some of the competitions for newspapers."

Both Legend and Pow Wow were self-supporting with ads from area businesses. Senior Kevin Powrozek sells an ad to Portage Tire and Auto.

Legend, News Bureau, Photographers, Pow Wow

Student Council — Front Row: Mr. Ron Hancock, Sec'y. LeAnne Hoyt, Pres. Scott Hoeman, Treas. Elena Iatrola, Vice-Pres. Kelli Anderson. Row 2: Heather Harwood, Mandi Koslow, Sr. Sec'y. Dawn Roque, Sr. Vice-Pres. LeeSa Capps, Beth Scheier, Jr. Treas. Lisa Gorgel, Jr. Pres. Bob Jarabek, Mark Broda. Row 3: Natalie Konarski, Debbie Vaughn, Sr. Treas. Missy McGurran, Jr. Vice-Pres. Ginger Ingram, Jr. Sec'y. Jill Stillabower, Sherry Guernsey, Glenda Cox, Christy Wilson, Soph. Sec'y. Jennie Smenyak, Elizabeth Robbins. Back Row: Kristi Melton, Sr. Rep. Stephanie Dillon, Luke Fisher, Dee Kestle, Mike Hutka, George Mamounas, Mark Roark, Soph. Vice-Pres. Brian Lane, Soph. Pres. Chris Ford, Steve Guzik, Jennifer Hile, Tracy Sulich.



Science Club — Front Row: Nick Smith, Sarah Matusiak, president John Liechty, Chris Teutemacher. Row 2: Isabel Vahedi, Lora Berquist, treasurer Anh Tran, vice-president Melissa Meyer, Jose Perez. Back Row: Joe Brackji, Mark Schmigel, Ronald Headley, Kerry Hallett, Dave Bellar, Bob Evans.



While eating at the Secret Pal get together, Mr. Richard York and senior Julie Foster get more acquainted.

Reading his speech in front of his classmates is freshman Joe Wozniak. Joe lost to George Mamounas for freshman president.



Council achieves new ideas

New and exciting activities were on the agenda throughout the school year. Many of these events were sponsored by Student Council (SC), hoping to make school a little bit more bearable for the whole student body.

Some of these events were dances, fund-raisers and social gatherings to help bring the teachers and the student body closer with the help of Student Council's sponsor, Mr. Ron Hancock.

One of the usual activities for SC was Secret Pal. This week-long program involved students choosing teachers and secretly bringing them gifts. At the end of the week a social provided a chance for the teachers and their students to get to know one another better.

For the first time, instead of buying gifts for their secret pals, the teachers bought gifts for needy children, and the SC donated these toys to "Toys for Tots." Another first was the meal served at the banquet rather than the usual punch and cookies.

One new occasion was the Winter Semi-Formal dance. This semi-formal was held at Woodland Park Dec. 21. The tickets sold for \$10 a couple. The students were required to wear nice semi-formal dresses. Pictures were taken for \$2 for each of them.

At the first lock-in Apr. 22, students stayed at school from 11 p.m. until 7 a.m. to swim, play basketball and eat, among activities offered. The Thanksgiving and the Easter Food Drive exceeded expecta-

tions. The new Easter Food Drive alone brought in 5,222 cans of food for the needy. This turnout was the biggest ever, tripling the amount of the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

Over this 10-day course, first hour classes brought in items for their assigned families. Mr. Yan Wolfman's class won a pizza party for bringing the most cans. The Advanced Physics class of 12 brought in 981 cans. Senior Mitchell DeGaetano brought in approximately 300 items of his own from walking door to door, raiding his cabinets and buying from the store.

"I did not do it for the pizza," Mitch said. "If I wanted a pizza, I'd go buy one for \$10." Self-motivation and the good feeling from helping the needy people out inspired the whole student body. Because of this big turnout, 17 families were made happier for Easter.

On Apr. 11 it was announced that the Student Council received the Honor Council Award for the third straight year from the Indiana Association of Student Councils.

Smiling over their cans for the Easter Food Drive was Mr. Yan Wolfman's first hour, which had nearly 20 per cent of the cans collected.



Horseback riding was on the schedule for sophomore Phil Matusiak and the rest of the Science Club, which visited Brown County State Park.



Gathering together at the Secret Pal banquet, Student Council president Scott Hoesman gives toys to Cpl. Danny Wildman.

Student Council, Science Club

Unarmed Exhibition Platoon — Front Row: Sally Palko, Suzanne Novakovich, Denise Llamas, Mary Peterson. Row 2: Charlene Taylor, Jeremy Puente, Troy Williams, Cassie Coleman, Sandee Joseph. Back Row: Jeff Rak, Rob Root, Steve McDowell, Lee Hadley, Jennifer Olson.



Armed Exhibition Squad — Front Row: Troy Williams*, Mark Scott, Rob Root. Back Row: Jeff Rak*, Lee Hadley*, Steve McDowell*, Dan Penix.

* denotes member of Color Guard



IDR Platoon — Front Row: Walter Grishka, Troy Williams, Jeremy Puente, Denise Llamas, Evan Royer, Clarence Rice, Rob Rodriguez. Row 2: Lee Hadley, Jason Arseneault, Chuck Helmink, Charlene Taylor, Mark Scott, Mark West. Back Row: Jeff Rak, Pat Trembly, Steve McDowell, Michael Hebda, Rob Root, Dan Penix.



Unarmed Exhibition Squad — Front Row: Mary Peterson, Suzanne Novakovich, Cassie Coleman. Back Row: Denise Llamas, Jennifer Olson, Sally Palko, Charlene Taylor, Tracey Blackburn, Sandee Joseph.



Exhibition Squad — Front Row: Troy Williams, Jeff Rak, Jason Arseneault, Mark Scott, Evan Royer, Chuck Helmink. Back Row: Dan Penix, Lee Hadley, Steve McDowell, Pat Trembly, Rob Root, Mark West.



The correct distance between cadets was very important to the judges at drill meets. One arm's length was the easiest way to measure this distance.

F acts told by JROTC's

After graduation, many students turned to the Armed Forces for their future. Right here, while still going through high school, many students decided to reach that goal a little earlier.

Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) was a class as well as an extracurricular activity based on learning the basic fundamentals of survival and self-discipline.

Capt. Tom Gardner, JROTC teacher, said the students learned leadership, and if they decided to enlist in the service, they could go in at a higher rank and higher pay. The students also got an understanding of what the military is like, and they got to practice what they learned.

Students who participated in JROTC had common interests which brought the students close to each other — just the same as any academic club or sports team. Glen Brechner, sophomore, defended the JROTC program, "JROTC students aren't different. It's just like a club. They're like regular people — they

just have different interests."

Senior Rich Brockway, JROTC student said, "We're not really different from anyone else. We do the same things they do. They think since we're in JROTC, we're weird."

Lack of knowledge on the part of students not involved in JROTC prohibited those students who were involved from receiving the recognition they felt they deserved. Rhonda Taylor, a graduate and JROTC award winner, said it makes her mad when people criticize JROTC students. "They don't know what they're making fun of."

Junior Alan Mayerink admitted that he has said something about them because of their haircuts.

Many students made fun of JROTC students because they had to wear uniforms once a week for inspection. Peggy Bradbury, junior, said she had made fun of them for this reason. Sophomore Sally Palko, a JROTC student, said, "I'm proud to wear my uniform on Fridays. I don't care what people think."

Commands were taken by the cadets during practices to prepare for the meets. Sophomore Jason Arseneault gives commands to his squad.

Many of the JROTC teams practiced outside during nice weather. Junior Troy Williams shows off to his team.



Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps

German Club — Front Row: Martha Ralph, Jennifer Westerkamp, Sarah Matursiak, Maureen Nairn, Jim Seifrig. Row 2: Charles Logsdon, Marcy Horvath, secretary Jennifer Guernsey, Tracy Smith, president Patricia Nairn, Traci Reynolds. Back Row: Sara Cimballa, Rob Guernsey, Mike Young, John Murphy, Cathy Berquist, Mrs. Ruth Harbrecht.



French Club — Front Row: Melissa Berman, Lisa Zielinski, Keely Weldon, Trena Papagorge, Matti Chavez, Liz Shield. Row 2: Debbie Bliss, Scott Langbehn, Charlotte Watson, Suzette Herring, Jennifer Stanley, Jeny Walker. Back Row: Carrie Ellenwood, Kevin Rippel, secretary Dawn Kwiliak, president Erica Dombey, Mrs. Sue McPherson, vice-president Wendy Kenworthy, treasurer Jennifer Fasel.



Spanish Club — Front Row: Dennis Ahrens, Angela DeLeon, secretary Myrna Hernandez, treasurer Anh Tran, Susan Daum, Karen Bane, Miss Elsie Rivera. Row 2: Brian Reid, Rick Barajas, Michelle Forrest, Michelle Spencer, Tammy Watkins, Tammara Wood. Row 3: vice-president Adlene Rivera, president Christine DeLeon, Lori Tarrant, Margarita Prieto, Miss Linda Peda. Back Row: Kim Leeper, Kevin Powrozek, Carlos Pedroza, Scott Hagan, Dave Lopez, Nancy Lopez, Toni Watkins, Robert Enochs.



Latin Club — Front Row: Ken Barker, Brian Chadwick, Kim Ward, Nick Petersen, Mandy Reid. Row 2: Andi Holland, Sean Holland, Hal Kilgore, Chance Hodges, Kim Schuster, John Mathis, Melissa Mitchell, Shannon Schapiro. Back Row: Mary Lloyd, Dan West, Kevin Lovell, Bill Dishno, Mark Reid, Bill Aukse, Garrett Flick, Chris Coleman, Jon Fiebelkorn, Michele Maceri.



French Club had a good time at the crepe party. Erica Dombey and Wendy Kenworthy, juniors, and Sandy Mundell, sophomore, are all busy making their crepes.

Mrs. Lynn Huerta and Miss Linda Peda, Spanish Club sponsors, are busy sampling food at the foreign language Christmas party. All four of the foreign languages were able to attend the Christmas party.

Martha Ralph and Charlene Irvine, sophomores, are making sundaes at a German Club ice cream social.





F un in another language

When someone thinks of the phrase *foreign language*, he usually thinks of homework and vocabulary quizzes. Foreign languages are classes, but they can be more than just that. Anyone that was enrolled in a foreign language was eligible to join a foreign language club. Foreign language clubs were not expensive like some other clubs.

The foreign languages had a joint Christmas party. German Club had an ice cream social. Latin Club also attended a chariot race that was held in Indianapolis. The foreign language clubs participated in a large number of activities.

French Club went on a trip to France. The cost per student was roughly \$1,500. It was a real fun experience, said Diane Chabes, sophomore, of the trip to France.

Any student involved in the French program was eligible to go on the trip to France. "France was a really exciting place to go. I met a lot of interesting people on my trip," added sophomore Kerry Adams.

Another activity that French Club also participated in was the Homecoming hall decorations, in which they placed first overall. They also went to a museum and also a French restaurant and had a scene at the Haunted Hayride at Woodland Park. They got first prize, which was \$75.

Erica Dombey, junior, was president of the French Club. She said that being in a foreign language club is "a fun way to meet new people and to learn about other country's culture".



German Club, French Club, Latin Club, Spanish Club

Saga — Front Row: Kimm Robbins, Janice Hughes, Vicky Sherrard, Gregg Neill, Sherry Kramer. Row 2: Caprice Rek, Lisa Thackerston, Lisa Hays, Trasa Phillips, Virginia Blevins, Angelica DeLeon. Back Row: Margarita Prieto, Mrs. Patricia Benson, Kristie Wendricks, Mike Dyll, Kathy Biodrowski, Sherry Book, Toni Essary.



Ski Club — Front Row: Brenice Summerfield, secretary Debbie Macys, Mike Gray, Heidi Grenchuk, Mitchell DeCaetano, Kit Bryan, John Patellis. Back Row: Ken Ostrander, Brian LaFrance, Scott Power, Tim Garzella, Michael Hudgins, Mrs. Donna MacArthur.



Art Club — Front Row: Angie Brasser, vice-president Joe Bracki, Traci Reynolds, Tara Moreland. Row 2: Miss Annette Kulmatycki, president Cathy Berquist, Jennifer Hutka, Denise Cole, secretary-treasurer Michelle Spencer, Carla Winegar. Back Row: Julie Keppen, Sherri Noel, Mark Reid.



Thespians — Front Row: Dorie Sulich, Debbie Vaughn, Dawn Roque, co-president Chris Holsden, Julie Popp, Vikki Pavlakovich, Tom Burke. Row 2: Scott Power, Jennifer Patellis, Becky Kobialka, Jim Adkins, John Pritchard. Row 3: Kit Bryan, Joe Bracki, Trasa Phillips, Toby Gull, Heather Sedan. Back Row: co-president Eric Hull, Debi Daniels, Tina Wiggins, historian Marty Bertucci, Mark Strickland, Andrew Brown.



Thespian member Jim Utley performs in the spring musical, *Hair*. The play reflected the life of people in the 60's.

Skiing the slopes was just one of the various activities that the Ski Club members participated in. Kit Bryan, senior, joined Ski Club because he enjoyed this activity.



A ctivities provide fun

A variety of ingredients made up a high school. Besides the teachers, students, academics and sports, clubs made up a part the high school.

There were many clubs and organizations for students to participate in. Some of these were Ski Club, Art Club, Saga and Thespians.

The Ski and Art Clubs were after-school activities. Mrs. Donna MacArthur, Ski Club sponsor, said, "The main purpose of the club is to ski." The club members got together every Wednesday and Saturday to ski at The Pines in Valparaiso, providing there was enough snow.

Viki Pavlakovic, Ski Club president, said that being a member of Ski Club had "given me the chance to be with new people. It had also helped me to learn from other people."

The Art Club, sponsored by Miss Annette Kulmatycki, worked on individual or group projects. The club held Halloween and Christmas parties, where the members played games and participated in contests.

The club also co-sponsored a dance with Science Club. The Art Club came into existence a few years ago, when a suggestion was made that an Art Club was needed. Miss Kulmatycki noted that the club was "for enjoyment."

Another organization that added spice was the Thespians. Thespians was sponsored by Mr. Joe Stevens, who was also the production supervisor for the plays held annually.

Thespians members participated in

the backstage work of the plays, the Variety Show and the Air Band Contest. By participating in productions and fundraisers, members earned points.

One of the activities the club participated in was taking trips to Chicago to view professional shows. The club also held a skating party and sponsored dances.

Thespians bought out The Costume Cottage. Thespians acquired \$25,000-\$30,000 worth of costumes, props, materials and equipment after their bid was accepted. Mr. Stevens explained that some costumes were sold, while others were retained to rent out. The ownership of the costume place cut down on the cost of the plays as there was no need to rent costumes and props any longer.

Unlike other clubs, Saga, was an elective communications class. The students who participated in Saga compiled, edited and published a literary magazine which included the works of students. Some students submitted poems, while others wrote short fiction stories.

Mrs. Patricia Benson, the sponsor of Saga, said the first edition of Saga was published in 1960. However, this was only Mrs. Benson's third year for sponsoring the magazine. She commented, "I enjoy working with the students that publish Saga."

Senior Toni Essary said that the Saga students had helped her a lot during the two years that she was on it. "You learn about different types of poetry and how to do layouts. Saga is a worthwhile class."



Thespians, Art Club, Ski Club, Saga

'P'lain and Simple



Wide variety of talented people shine

Plain and simple. Cut and dried. Things should be that easy.

On the outside this could be an ordinary everyday boring high school. Maybe it was. But there were a few people who did what they could to see that it wasn't.

Thirty-eight per cent of the teachers participated in Porter County's first teachers' strike. It lasted five school days; two had to be made up.

Portage Junior Miss, senior Dawn Roque, was third runner-up in the state pageant.

Tom Burke, senior, caused controversy with his hair. Tom wore his hair in outrageous styles and colors. At different times his hair was blue, yellow, orange, red, turquoise, purple or maroon.

In some way or another, everyone shared in making this school different from anyplace else.



Working on the sophomore class float are Mike Batusic, Mark Roark, Chad Patsel and Missy Kelly.

The school building still looked relatively new despite the fact that this was the ninth year that classes were held here.



Burger King was the new "in" place to be. Senior Mike Verboon takes advantage of the self-serve pop facilities.

Fighting for the right to wear his hair as he pleases, senior Tom Burke defends himself to Dr. George McKay.



Small Towns are Murder brought a little bit of Hollywood to the area when the movie was filmed at Wolfe Mansion.

Participating in the Secret Pal festivities for the last time, senior Jaime Velez talks to Mr. James McCabe.

People

BARBARA AALBERS: Ski Club 4; Spanish Club 4.
DAVID ADAMS: JROTC Color Guard 1,2,3; Drill Team 1,2,3.
DAVID ALONIZ.
GARY ALCON: Intramurals 2.
RICH ALDERSON: Teacher Asst. 3; Soccer 2,3,4.

BRIAN ALEXANDER.
STACEY ALEXANDER: Prom Court 3; Student Council Honorary Member 1; Class Vice-pres. 2.
BILL ALLISON: Intramurals 2,3,4; Basketball 1; Football 1,2,3,4; Soccer 4.
REBECCA LYNN ALLISON: Intramurals 3; Swimming 1,2,3(Capt.),4(Capt.).
KENT C. AMBLER.

KELLI ANDERSON: Cheerleader 2,3,4; French Club 1,4; Pep Club 1,2,3(Sec'y),4(Treas.); Ski Club 1; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Student Council Vice-pres. 4; Honorary Member 1,2; Student Court 3; NHS 4.
CHRISTIE ARTIS.
LARRY AUKSEL: FCA 1,2; French Club 1; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; NHS 4; Ski Club 1,2; Basketball 1,2; Football 1; Football Mgr. 2.
STACY AUTRY: French Club 1; Teacher Asst. 3; Conc. Band 1.
KY BADGLEY.

MIKE BAKER: Boys' State 3; FCA 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Conc. Band 1; Jazz Band 1; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.
TINA MARIE BAKER: Teacher Asst. 3,4; Conc. Band 1.
CHRISTINA BALBOA: Pep Club 3,4; Photo Club 3,4; Photo Staff 3,4.
LAURIE BALDWIN.
STACY BALL: NHS 4; Pep Band 2; Sym. Band 2,3; Solo/Ens. 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3,4(stat.); Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.

KEVIN BANKER.
JON BARNES: Track 1,2.
BRIAN BAROS: Football 2,3; Wrestling 1.
DENISE BATALIS.
RAMON BAZALDUA.

RUTH BEAUDRY: SADD 1; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3.
CHRISSEY BELL: French Club 1; Pep Club 1,2; Pep Wow 4.
DWAYNE BELLAR: Football 1.
DARA BERGER: FCA 4; Teacher Asst. 3,4; Conc. Band 2,3; Cross Country 3,4; Track 2,3,4.
LORA REGINA BERQUIST: French Club 1; Science Club 3,4; Sym. Choir 4; Solo/Ens. 3,4.

MARTY PATRICK BERTUCCI: Intramurals 2,3,4; Media Asst. 4; Thespians 2,3,4; Baseball 1; Basketball 1,2; Football 1,2,3; Student Council Honorary Member 4; Class Pres. 1.
THERESA BEST: Conc. Choir 1; Sym. Choir 1.
SHAWNA BIGGS: Conc. Choir 2.
CHRISTINE BILLINGS.
BRYAN BLACK.





LARRY BLAKE: Intramurals 2,3,4, Baseball 1,2,4.
CLARA BLAKELY.
JERRY BLANCHARD: Teacher Asst. 3,4.
VIRGINIA BLEVINS: Intramurals 2,3.
TAMMY S. BOEHM.

TONI BOGDAN.
CHRIS BOLAND: Baseball 1,2.
HAKAN BONDESSON.
RICH BONICK: NHS 4, Soccer 2,3,4; Student
Council Honorary Member 1.
GREG "BOZ" BOSWELL: JROTC Color Guard 1,2;
Drill Team 1,2; Teacher Asst. 3; Football 1,3,4.

DEBRA BOZMAN: French Club 1, Media Asst. 1;
Conc. Band 2; March. Inds. 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3,4;
Sym. Band 3,4.
WENDY BRAGG: Indianettes 4; SADD 1; Conc.
Band 1,2; March. Inds. 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym.
Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4/
Wrestling Stat. 1,2.
ANGELA BRASSER: German Club 1,3; Fresh.
Chorus 1; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4;
Sym. Band 2,3,4; Sym. Choir 3; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.
ANNEMARIE BREUNIG: Teacher Asst. 4.
TIFFANY BRINDZA: Indianettes 2,3; Teacher Asst.
1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 2,3; Volleyball 1.

A common gathering for students

Teens meet in commons area

It's 7:15 in the morning and stretched out across the floor in the commons is a senior trying to finish his homework before first hour. Around the corner gathers a clutch of seven junior girls. They sit on the red carpet area talking about the short shorts and plaid tank top Jane had on at gym class. It is now 7:30 and the first bells ring. "Come on, people, let's go!" Mr. Rhode chases the last stragglers out of the commons to prevent them from being late to class.

The commons was a popular place before school, after school, and during lunch hours. "I go to the commons in the morning to talk and do my homework," Sue

I go to the commons in the morning to waste time before the first bell rings.

— Stacey Alexander, senior

Rose, senior, said.

Some people may not have known it, but there were different "turfs" in the commons. "Usually the sophomores, juniors and the seniors sit in different sections," said sophomore Brett Sloan. "I go to the same spot of the commons every day to vegetate and to be sociable," said senior Judy Hancock.

On some days the commons were more crowded than others. "I think Fridays are the most crowded days in the commons because of the games, and everyone's spirit is riled up," said LeAnne Hoyt, senior.

KIMBERLY BRITTON.

RICHARD ALAN BROCKWAY: JROTC Color Guard 1,2,3,4; Drill Team 1,2,3,4; Rifle Team 2,4; Teacher Asst. 4.

GAYLE BRODA.

ANDREW BROWN.

DAVID BROWN: Boys' State 3; French Club 1; Intramurals 1,2; Science Club 1; Photo Club 1; Speech/Debate 2; World Affairs 3; Basketball 1; Football 1,2,3; Track 1,4; Class Rep. 1.

KAREN RENEE BROWN: Pep Club 3; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3.

MELISSA J. BROYHILL: News Bureau 3,4; Pow Wow 1,2,3,4; Quill/Scroll 3,4; Teacher Asst. 3; Conc. Band 1,2; Pep Band 3; Sym. Band 3; Solo/Ens. 1.

TRACI BRUBAKER.

JERRY BRYAN: Intramurals 3,4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3.

KIT E. BRYAN: Lifter 4; Prom Court 3; Ski Club 1,2,3,4; Thespians 4; Football 2,3; Track 2.

SHANNON BUCKNER: Indianettes 4; Photo Staff 3,4; Teacher Asst. 1; Conc. Choir 3.

ERIC BURDETTE.

JENNIFER BURK.

TAMMY BURTON.

PAMELA BUTLER.

ANDREW BUTVIN.

WAYNE BYARLAY.

CHRISTINA CAMBESES.

JEFFREY CAMPBELL.

RICH CANAMAR: Spanish Club 4; Teacher Asst. 4.

DAVID CANNON: Intramurals 2; Baseball 2,4.

LEESA KAY CAPP: Cheerleader 1; FCA 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Capt.; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Prom Court 3,4; Science Club 1; Ski Club 1,2; Spanish Club 1,2,3; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Thespians 4; VICA Pres. 4; Conc. Band 1; Basketball 1,2; Softball 1,2,3,4; Basketball Stat. 1; Class Rep. 2,3; Student Council Honorary Member 1; Class Vice-pres. 4.

DAVID CARROLL: Teacher Asst. 3,4.

RANDY CATHCART.

VIKKI CAYWOOD: Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Conc. Band 1,2; March. Inds. 1,2; Golf 1.

LANA CERUTTI: Pep Club 4; Pom Pons 4; Teacher Asst. 3.

DARRELL CHANDLER: Office Asst. 3,4; Football 1,2; Wrestling 2,3,4.

DENISE CHARLSON: Intramurals 1,3.

TRACY CHASE.

JOHN CHASKO: Teacher Asst. 4.

JACK D. CHATT.

JOHN CHESSOR: Conc. Band 1,2,3; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.

ALLEN CIESIELSKI: Intramurals 3,4.

SHERRI CLAXTON: Indianettes 3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2; Sym. Choir 3.

MARC CLEVELAND: Lifter 4; Intramurals 1,2,3; Ski Club 1,2; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Conc. Band 2,3; Sym. Band 3; Swimming 1.





CHARITY COLE: Choraliers 3,4; Freshman Chorus 1; Sym. Choir 2,4; Girls' Ens. 2.
DREW COLEMAN: FCA 4; Intramurals 4; Teacher Asst. 3,4; Basketball Stat. 4.
MATTHEW COLEY: Teacher Asst. 1.
BOBBY CONGER.
TYRONE COOKS.

CHAD COPLEY.
MARAN COROS: Intramurals 2.
TIM COSTELLO: Science Club 3; Conc. Band 1,2; Conc. Choir 1,2; March. Inds. 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Choir 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2.
JONATHAN G. COULES: Boys' State 3; French Club 1,2; French Honor Society 2; Quiz Bowl 4; Football 1,2(Capt.); 3; Swimming 1,2,3(Capt.); 4.
JIM COX: German Club 1,3; Intramurals 1; JROTC Color Guard 1,2,3; Drill Team 1,2,3; Physical Fitness 1,2,3; Science Club 1.

MICHAEL E. COX: Boys' State 3; Lifter 4; Intramurals 3,4; NHS 3,4; Teacher Asst. 3,4; Baseball 2,3; Football 1.
TAMARA COX: Intramurals 2.
DIANA CRANCE.
DAVE CRAWFORD.
LARRY CREECH.

DARYL CRISWELL: Ski Club 1,2.
JOE CROELL: Media Asst. 2,4; Football 1,2,3,4.
GREGG CROMER: Wrestling 2,3,4.
TAMMY CROWNOVER.
DALE J. CRUSE: Conc. Band 2; Conc. Orch. 2; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.

NOEL CULLEN: Intramurals 2,3; Spanish Club 4; Swimming 1,2,3,4(Capt.).
MELODY CULP.
TRICIA CZAZASTY.
DENISE CZECHANSKI: German Club 1,2; Latin Club 4; Conc. Orch. 1; Sym. Orch. 1; Solo/Ens. 1; Gymnastics 1,2.
LIZA MARIE DAICH: Legend 2,3; Student Council Honorary Member 4.

DEBI DANIELS: French Club 1; Steech/Debate 2,3,4; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Conc. Band 2; Drum Major 4; March Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Pit Orch. 2,3; Sym. Band 1,2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3.
KATHRYN A. DASH: Legend 2,3,4; Quill/Scroll 3,4(Pres.); Spanish Club 1; Teacher Asst. 3,4; Conc. Band 1,2; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3.
SUSAN DAUM.
CHRISTY DAVENPORT: Teacher Asst. 3.
JAMES DAVENPORT.

JEROME DAVISON: Lifter 4; Football 1,3.
LANCE COLIN DAWSON: Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Ski Club 1; Teacher Asst. 3,4; Golf 2,3,4.
JENNIFER DEAN: NHS 3,4(Treas.); Pep Club 1; Teacher Asst. 3.
MITCHELL DEGAETANO.
CHRISTINE MARIE DELEON: Spanish Club 3,4(Pres.); Teacher Asst. 3.

Indiana or Purdue: which is best?

Battle of state universities

"IU is #1!" "No way, Purdue is better!" "No! No! . . ." For some people, Indiana University is favored and for others, Purdue University is favored. What is it that makes these schools so popular?

"Purdue University is great! I think their football team is the best," said freshman Dana Carrillo.

There were many reasons for favoring either IU or PU, not only for the teams or the education, but also for the people who attended the schools and the functions that go on there.

IU's main campus is in Bloomington. Their basketball team won the 1987 NCAA basketball tournament. "IU has an awesome basketball team," said sophomore Bryan Bartelheim.

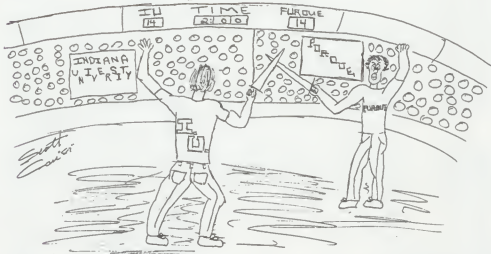
One of Purdue's campuses is located in West Lafayette. "I think

I don't care, because when I graduate, I'm going to LA to become a rock star.

— Chris Sulcer, senior

Purdue is a great electronics school," said senior Eric Lindfeldt.

Battling for number one. Many students favor one of the two popular Indiana universities, Indiana or Purdue.



DAVID DEROSE: German Club 3.4(treas.); Teacher Asst. 2,3,4.

TAMMY DIAZ: Pep Club 1; Conc. Band 1.

TINA DIAZ: Pep Club 1.

DOMINIQUE LYNN DICESARE: Indianettes 4, Teacher Asst.

1,3; Wrestling Matmaid 4.

LARRY DICKERSON: Football 1,2,3,4.

MICHAEL ROSS DICKEY: Intramurals 3,4; Baseball 1; Swimming 1.

JULIE DILLMAN: French Club 1; Saga 4.

STEPHANIE DILLON: Cheerleader 2, FCA 1,2; German Club 1,2; Intramurals 1,2; Pep Club 2,3,4; Prom Court 3;

Ski Club 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Tennis 2,3,4, Class Rep. 4;

Student Council Honorary Member 2,3.

CARRIE DJURICH: Conc. Band 1,2; March. Inds. 2; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3.

NICOLE DODSON.

BILL DOLL

DOUG DRAHA

KAREN DRAVET

LORI DRUMMOND

BRIAN DUNCAN





STEVE DUVALL: Basketball 2,3; Football 1,2;
Wrestling 1.
JAY DYER.
MICHAEL DYLL: Saga 4.
SHELIA DZIUBLA.
RICHARD EASON.

KELLY ELKINS: Conc. Choir 1.
TONI ESSARY: Saga 3,4.
KEN ETCHISON.
LAURA EVANS, Spanish Club 3; Photo Club 3;
Photo Staff 4, Teacher Asst. 3,4; Conc. Orch. 1;
Solo/Ens 1.
GENE EVERS: Ski Club 1,2,3,4; Thespians 4.

LISA EWALD.
CONNIE RAE EWEN: Teacher Asst. 4; Conc Orch.
1; Sym. Orch 2,3.
LISA FALLS: French Club 1,2; Intramurals 1;
Teacher Asst. 4, Freshman Chorus 1; Swimming 1;
Swimming Mgr. 2,3,4.
MELISSA FARMER.
FRED FIELER.

MICHAEL R. FIKE.
RACHEL FIKE: Intramurals 3; Science Club 3,4;
Spanish Club 1,2.
TERRY FILIPAS: Football 1,2; Golf 2,3,4.
TANYA FISCHER.
SANDRA FISHER: French Club 1,2; Teacher/Media
1,2,4; Tennis 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2.

JEFF FITCH: FCA 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2; Baseball
1; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4.
KATHLEEN G. FLACH: French Club 1,2,3; SADD
2; Student Court 2,3; Tennis 1,2,3,4.
RIKK FORTINI: Teacher Asst. 4.
JULIE FOSTER: German Club 1,2,3; NHS 3,4;
Science Club 1; Thespians 3,4(Sec'y); Choraliers
2,3,4; Conc. Band 1,2; Conc. Orch. 2; Freshman
Chorus 1; March Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4;
Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Choir 3,4; Sym. Orch. 4; Solo/
Ens 1,2,3,4.
TAMMY FOWLER.

TIM FOWLER.
RICHARD FOX: Teacher Asst. 3,4.
CATHERINE RAE FRALEY: JROTC Color Guard
1,2,3; Drill Team 1,2,3; Physical Fitness 1.
JULIE FREEMAN: French Club 1,2; Media Asst. 4;
Class Rep. 2; Student Council Honorary Member 1.
PETER FROM.

RODNEY E. FULTZ: Media Asst. 3,4; Choraliers 3,
Sym. Choir 3.
CAMI GAGNA: FCA 3,4; Pep Club 1,2; Gymnastics
1; Track 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3; Class Rep. 1,2,3,4.
KIMBERLY GAJDIK.
AARON GALLARDO.
TERRY GARREN: JROTC Color Guard 2,3; Drill
Team 1,2,3; Football 1; Basketball Mgr. 4.

TIM GARZELLA: Ski Club 2,3,4(Class Rep.).
 DON GAZA.
 PEGGY ANNE NATASHA GERUSZKA: Saga 3,4;
 Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4
 KEVIN GILMORE.
 JIM GLENN.

BEVERLY GOBIN.
 KAREN GOBBY: Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Conc. Choir
 3; Sym. Choir 4.
 STEVE GOBBY.
 MICHELLE GOLDEN: Track 1; Cross Country
 Mgr. 2.
 LOUIS A. GORDEN.

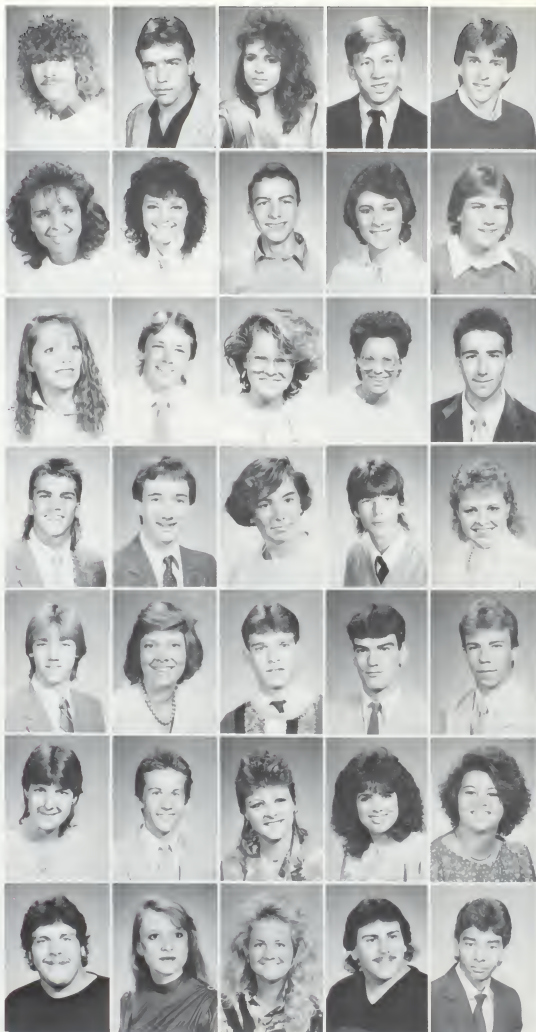
CASSANDRA GOUGER: FCA 4; Prom Court 3; Ski
 Club 2,3; Softball 2,3; Swimming 1,2,3,4.
 SAM GOULDEN.
 STEFFANIE GRAVELINE.
 CINDY GRAVES.
 MATTHEW GRAY.

MICHAEL GRAY.
 SHAWN GREEN: Speech/Debate 3,4; Jazz Band
 2,3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Pit
 Orch. 4; Sym. Band 2,3 (All-State); 4(All-State
 Honors); Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.
 HEIDI GRECHIK: French Club 2,3; Ski Club
 1,2,3,4; Swimming 1.
 RON GRINDER.
 CRYSTAL D. GRISHKA: German Club 2; Spanish
 Club 2; Speech/Debate 3,4; Teacher Asst. 2; Conc.
 Band 1,2; Freshman Chorus 1; March. Inds. 1,2,3;
 Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3; Sym. Choir 3; Solo/
 Ens. 1,2,3.

TOM GROSS: Intramurals 1,2,3; Teacher Asst. 2;
 Conc. Band 1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band
 1,2,3,4; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 3,4; Solo/Ens.
 1,2,3,4.
 JENNIFER GUERNSEY: German Club 1,2,3,4;
 Conc. Band 2; March. Inds. 2; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym.
 Band 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,4.
 SCOTT HAGAN: Intramurals 2; Spanish Club 4;
 Track 3,4.
 LONNIE HALE: Media Asst. 3.
 MICHAEL G. HALL: FCA 4; NHS 3,4(Vice-pres.);
 Jazz Band 1,2,3,4; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 3,4;
 Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2,3;
 Football 1.

KERRY FRANCES HALLETT: Latin Club 1;
 Science Club 4; SADD 2; Teacher Asst. 1; Conc.
 Choir 3.
 DAVE HALLMAN: Intramurals 1; Teacher Asst.
 3,4; Golf 3,4.
 TRINA HAM.
 TRACY HAMILTON.
 JUDITH HANCOCK: Chamber Orch. 3; Conc.
 Band 1; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3; String Ens. 1.
 Sym. Orch. 2,3; Swimming 1,2.

RONALD HANS.
 ANN HARPER.
 TRACY LYN HARRINGTON: Intramurals 3;
 Legend 2,3,4; Pep Club 2; Quill/Scroll 4; Teacher
 Asst. 2,3,4.
 BRIAN HARTH.
 ARTHUR HARTIS.





JEANETTA HARTY.
HEATHER HARWOOD: Cheerleader 2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pom Poms 3,4; SADD 2; Class Rep. 4.
KIMBERLY HARWOOD: Pep Club 3.
MELISSA HATFIELD: Intramurals 2; Saga 2; Speech/Debate 3; Teacher Asst. 3.
WENDELL D. HAYS: Intramurals 3; Conc. Band 1.

DAWN HAYWARD.
RHONDA HAYWOOD.
DANNY SCOTT HEAD: Pow Wow 4; Teacher Asst. 2; Swimming 1; Track 1,2,3,4.
RONALD HEADLEY: JROTC Color Guard 1; Science Club 1,2; Wrestling 1.
ERIC HEIMBERG: Sport Mgr. 2,3.

CANDICE HENDERSON.
MANUEL HERNANDEZ.
STACY HERREN: Intramurals 1,2; Volleyball 1.
JEFF HESS: JROTC Color Guard 1; Latin Club 1.
KERRY HICKMAN: Softball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3.

Students 'hunger' for activities What's there to do after games?

"Game's over!! We won!! Let's go to Pizza Hut; I am real hungry," Susie said.

"No, I want to go to Burger King; that's where a lot of the football players go," said Jane.

"All right, we'll go to Burger King," said Susie.

There was a variety of things to do after a home game. Often students headed to Burger King, Pizza Hut, McDonald's, or even to a party.

"After a game I always go to Burger King, because that is where my friends are," said senior Marty Bertucci.

"After the game is over, my friends and I go to Pizza Hut. I am

□□
If I went straight home after a game, I would be really bored, because it's usually still pretty early.

— Judy Hancock, senior

really hungry after the game," said sophomore Amy Pollock.

Another option for after a game was to go to a party. Senior Bonni Stanley told what she did after a game. "Usually I go to a party after a game because they are more exciting."

A lot of times dances were popular after game. "If there is a dance after a game, I go, even though I don't get asked to dance," Principal Forrest Rhode said jokingly. Dances were held at either the East or the West school. "In my opinion, dances are the best choice for me after a game," said senior Renee Walbright.

GARY HIGGINS: Ski Club 1.
MATT HILL: Conc. Band 1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 2,3;
Sym. Band 4; Pep Band 1.
RENEE HILL
STEVEN HILL
JASON HIMO: Intramurals 2; Baseball 2.

BOB HINKLE.
CHRIS HODSDEN.
SCOTT HOESMAN: Science Club 2; Speech/Debate
2,3,4; Chamber Orch. 4; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch.
2,3,4; String Ens. 4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens.
1,2,4; Student Council President 4; Student Council
Honorary Member 3.
MARK HOLM.
EUGENE HOPKINS.

KAREN HOPKINS: Teacher Asst. 4; Prom
Committee 3.
KELLY HOPKINS.
TOM HORNING.
SANDRA HOWE: Nurse's Aide 4.
DAVID HOWELL: Football 1.

LEANNE MARIE HOYT: Cheerleader 1,2,4;
Homecoming Court 4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Conc. Band
1; Solo/Ens. 1; Student Council Sec'y 4; Class Sec'y
3; Class Treas. 2.
MICHAEL HUDGINS: Intramurals 3; Ski Club 4;
Conc. Band 1,2; March. Inds. 1; Football 1; Soccer 4.
KENNETH HUDSON: French Club 1,2; Spanish
Club 1; Photo Club 1,2,3.
CATHERINE HUEY: French Club 1,2,3; Girls' State
Alt. 3; Speech 4; Teacher Asst. 1,4; Academic Club
4; Conc. Band 1; Conc. Orch. 1; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4;
March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Pit Orch. 2,3;
Sym. Band 2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,3,4;
Student Council 2; VFW Speech Winner 4.
JENNIFER HUFFORD: NHS Pres. 4; Spanish Club
1,2; Speech/Debate 2,3,4(Pres.); World Affairs 3;
Cross Country Mgr. 3,4.

SCOTT HUFFORD: FCA 3,4; French Honor Society
2,3,4; NHS 4; World Affairs 3; Cross Country
1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.
JANICE RENEE HUGHES: Saga 4; Teacher Asst. 4;
Office Asst. 2,3,4.
PAUL HUISINGA.
ERIC HULL: Photo Staff 3,4; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4;
Thespians 3(Vice Pres.), 4(Pres.); Stage Manager
2,3,4; Thespians 2,3,4; Swimming 2,4.
REBECCA HUNT.

MARSHA HURST.
ELENA IATORALA: Homecoming Court 4; Pep
Club 2,3,4; Pom Pons 2,3,4; Science Club 2; Sym.
Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 2; Track 1; Student Council
Treas. 4; Class Rep. 3.
LISA IGRAS: Teacher Asst. 3,4.
JOYCE JACKOMIS: Pep Club 2; Spanish Club 1;
SADD 3.
KYM JACKSON: NHS 4; Pep Club 1,4; Saga 3;
Pom Pons 4; Student Council Honorary Member
1,4.

RANDY JACKSON: Lifter 4; Intramurals 1,2.
ROBERT A. JACOBSON: FCA 1,4; Intramurals 1;
Teacher Asst. 3,4; Football 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4;
Wrestling 4.
SUE JAEGER.
STEVE JAHODA: FCA 4; Mr. Football 4; Teacher
Asst. 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Class Sec'y. 2.
LIANNE JAKICH: Teacher Asst. 1; Sym. Orch.
1,2,3,4.





MIKE JANIGA: Football 1,2.
JEFF JAROSAK.
AARON JARVIS: Boy's State 3; FCA 3,4; Prom Court 3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1, Football 1,2,3,4.
CHRISTIAN JAWORSKI: Ski Club 1,4.
GLENN ANNETTE JENNINGS: French Club 1,2; Photo Club 2; Track 1; Volleyball 1,2; Volleyball Stat. 3.

DAWN JOHNS.
HEATHER JOHNSON.
JENNIFER ANN JOHNSON: French Club 1,2, Ski Club 1,2,3,4; Conc. Band 2; March. Inds 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Band 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.
CHARLES JONES.
CHRISTINE JONES.

TINA JONES: Indianettes 4; Teacher Asst. 1,2; Conc. Choir 3; Mat Maid 4.
BRIAN JOSE.
SANDEE MARIE JOSEPH: Intramurals 2; JROTC Color Guard 1,2,3,4; Drill Team 1,2,3,4; Physical Fitness 1,3; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3; SADD 1; Conc. Band 1,2,4; March. Inds. 2; Pep Band 2; Solo/Ens. 1,2.
DEANNA JUMP: Conc. Choir 2; Mixed Chorus 1; Sym. Choir 1.
MICHELL KADO.

MITCHEL KADO.
DAVID M. KALINA: Conc. Band 1,2; Sym. Band 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1; Baseball 1.
JEFF KAMMERER.
CARRIE KARABIN.
ZOLTAN KARACSONY: Intramurals 3; Teacher Asst. 4.

MARK KENNEY.
RUTHANNE KEREZMAN: Conc. Choir 1; Swimming 3.
TRICIA KERNS: Intramurals 2; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Soccer Stat. 2,3.
SHARON KINCAID.
JASMINA KINCHELOE: Speech/Debate 4; Thespians 4; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3; Sym. Orch. 2,3; Swimming 1; Tennis 1,2; Class Pres. 3.

KRIS KIRGAN.
JAMES KIRK.
TERRI DENISE KIRK: French Club 1; Pep Club 3,4; Pom Pons 3,4; Teacher Asst. 3; March. Inds. 1,2; Pep Band 1,2; Sym. Band 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4; Orch. Wind 3; State Ens. 2,3,4.
CRAIG A. KITCHEN: Conc. Choir 1,2,3; Sym. Choir 3,4.
MELISSA KLIMASZEWSKI: Indianettes 3,4; Spanish Club 1,2; SADD 1,2,3; Photo Club 4; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Mat Maid 2.

RAYMOND KNIOLA.
ANGEL KOLIVAS: French Club 3; Teacher Asst. 2,3.
NATALIE KONARSKI: Cheerleader 4; NHS 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Pom Pons 3; Class Rep. 4.
KAREN ELAINE KORENICH: Swimming 1,2.
ERIN KOSS.

RENEE KRASEK.
JAMES KRAUSE.
CHUCK KROSTAG: Lifter 4; Intramurals 3; Media
Asst. 3,4.
KAREN KRUPA: Teacher Asst. 3,4.
TOM KULAVIK.

BRIAN LAFRANCE: French Honor Society 3; Ski
Club 1,2,4; Jazz Band 4.
JERRI LAINGREN.
MARIO LAMANTIA.
SCOTT LANGBEHN.
FRED LANGSTON.

CARYN D. LAVENDER: Media Asst. 2,3,4.
LAURA ANN LAZEAR: Media Asst. 1,2,3,4;
Swimming 1,2,3,4.
MICHELLE LEFINSKE.
RICK LEEPER.
AMY MARIE LEVENDA: FCA 1,2,3,4; Intramurals
1,2; Pep Club 1; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Conc. Band 1;
Solo/Ens. 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4(Capt.); Softball Mgr./
Stat. 2,3,4.

ALLEN LEWIS.
DAWN LEWIS: French Club 1,4; Photo Club 3;
Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4.
LISA LEWIS.
MARIE LILJA.
ERIC LINDFELDT.

JASON LINDQUIST: Intramurals 1,2,4; Pow Wow
2,3,4; Quill/Scroll 4; Teacher Asst. 4; Golf 4;
Basketball Mgr. 1,2; Football Stat. 4.
MARY LING: Saga 3; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4.
JAMES LOANE.
SIRENA LOCKWOOD: Pep Club 3; Track 1;
Volleyball 1.
JOHN LOMAX.

MICHAEL LONG: Conc. Band 2; Jazz Band 3,4;
March. Inds. 2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Sym. Band 3,4;
Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.
DAVE LOPEZ: Intramurals 1,2; Spanish Club 4;
Sym. Orch. 1,2,3,4; Football 1.
TRACY LOVELL: NHS 2; Spanish Club 4; Conc.
Band 1,2,3; Jazz Band 1,2; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep
Band 1,2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3; Tennis 2.
DEBORAH LOVING: French Club 1; Pep Club 2;
Teacher Asst. 2,3.
LUCY LUCAS: Sym. Band 1.

ROY LUCAS.
AUTUMN LUCKEY.
MARY LUTE: French Club 1; Conc. Band 1.
RICHARD MACYS.
MICHAEL MAJOR: Intramurals 2.



Senioritis settling in

Seniors prepare for the future

It was that time of the year again. The school year was more than half over, and everyone was anxiously anticipating the end of the school year, maybe none more than the seniors. For many, dreadful senioritis was settling in.

"It hasn't set in yet, but I'm sure it will when May comes," commented senior Chrissy Lilly.

While many shared these thoughts, others would disagree. Kirt Witham, senior, said, "I've had it since I was a freshman."

Senior Doug Sadler agreed. "I've been wanting to break out of this place since the spring of '84."

Seniors everywhere were attracting this popular yet painless disease. "When spring comes and the nice weather arrives, I'll really have senioritis. The beaches and guys better be ready for me," warned Christy Davenport.

For some, like Debbie Loving,



Senioritis is coming sooner than expected for me. My grades are starting to go down fast.

— Bonni Stanley, senior



senior, the need to spend more time with friends was a factor. "Senioritis has set in because all of my friends are out of school, and I want to be with them more often."

For others, college is a remedy. "Ya, I have it a little bit, but thinking about college helps me from getting too bored with school," said senior Debbie Vaughn.

For senior Sarah Matusiak, it comes and goes. "I had it. I don't have it now. I expect a worse case later on in the year."

Although almost all seniors agree that they could not wait for May, will they miss anything about high school life? Sadler certainly will. "There are three things I am really going to miss after I graduate: my friends, the girls...well, maybe there were only two."



SHARON MALIS: Pep Club 4; Pom Pons 4; Pow Wow 3.4; Teacher Asst. 3.4; Freshman Band 1; March. Inds. 1; Pep Band 1; Solo/Ens. 1; Swimming 3.

MELONIE MALONE: Teacher Asst. 3.4.

MATTHEW MANOSKI: FCA 3.4; Intramurals 3.4.

Teacher Asst. 4; Basketball 1.2; Track 1.2,3,4.

JAMES MAPLES: Intramurals 1.2; Ski Club 1.2,3(Pres);4; Teacher Asst. 2.3,4; Thespians 4;

Swimming 4.

MICHAEL MARSH.

TRACY MASON: French Club 1.2; SADD 1;

Teacher Asst. 1.

SARAH MATUSIAK: German Club 1.2,3,4; Girls' State 3; NHS 4; Science Club 3.4; Freshman Chorus

1; Sym. Choir 2.3,4; Basketball 1.2,3,4.

ANNE MARIE MATUZ: Pow Wow 3.4; Quill/

Scroll 3.4; Teacher Asst. 3.4.

CHRIS MAYERNIK: Pow Wow 3.4; Quill/Scroll 4;

Teacher Asst. 1.3.

CHRISTOPHER MCCARTY.

ROBERTA MCCAUSLAND: Golf 2.3,4; Track

1.2,3,4.

CINDY MCCORMACK: Pep Club 3.4; Pom Pons

3.4.

DANA MCCOY.

PAT McDONALD: Cross Country 1.2,3,4; Track

1.2,3,4.

RICHARD L. MCGUIRE: Intramurals 2.3; Conc.

Band 1; Conc. Orch. 1; Sym. Orch. 2.3; Solo/Ens.

1.2,3; Cross Country 2; Track 1,3,4.

MISSY MCGURREN.

CARY MCKAY: Basketball 2,4; Soccer 1,2,3,4(Capt.); Tennis 2,3,4(Capt.).

KRISTI MELTON: Homecoming Court 4; Pep Club 3,4; Pom Pons 3,4; Prom Court 3; Photo Club 2,3,4; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Class Rep. 2,3,4.

KATHY MENDEZ: Pep Club 3,4; Pom Pons 3,4; Spanish Club 2; Mat Maid 2.

BETH MENEAR.

VIRGINIA MERRY: Freshman Chorus 1.

ANDY MIDDLETON.

ROMAN MIESTOWSKI: Intramurals 4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4.

JOHN MIGOSKI: Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 3; Ski Club 2; Baseball 1,2; Tennis 4.

LAURIE MIKITA.

TED MILEY.

CHRISTINE MILLER.

CRAIG MILLER.

STEVE MILLER: Intramurals 3; Soccer 3,4; Swimming 2,3,4.

BRUCE MINDER.

DENA MITCHELL.

GREGORY D. MITCHELL: Teacher Asst. 4.

MICHELLE MITCHELL: Teacher Asst. 2,4.

KIMBERLY MONGARAZ: Intramurals 1; Conc. Band 1; Tennis 2.

JEANINE MONNIER: Cheerleader 1,2; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pom Pons 3,4.

AMY MONROE.

LOUONNA MOORE: Pep Club 3,4; Pom Pons 3,4;

Pow Wow 3; SADD 1; Track 2,3; Class Rep. 4.

ANGIE MOORE: Teacher Asst. 4.

PHIL MOORE: German Club 1,2; Speech and

Debate 2,3; Chamber Orch. 2; Conc. Orch. 1; Jazz

Band 1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pit Orch. 4; Sym.

Band 2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.

KARA MORIN: Legend 2; Conc. Band 1; Solo/Ens. 1.

KATHY MOYE.

DEANNA MUELLER.

GINA MUFFOLETTO.

DINA M. MULLEN: FCA 2,3,4; French Club 1;

Intramurals 2,3; Pep Club 2,3,4; Ski Club 1,2; SADD

1; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Basketball Stats. 3; Tennis

1,2,3,4; Student Council Honorary Member 2,3.

KEVIN MYERS: Intramurals 3,4; Prom Court 3; Football 1,2.

KRISTI NABHAN: French Club 1; French Honor Society 2,3,4; Girls' State 3; Academic Club 4; News Bureau 2; NHS 3,4; Quill & Scroll 2; Cross Country

2,3 (Capt.); Track 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1.

PATRICIA NAIRN: German Club 1,2,3 (Sec'y.),4

(Pres.); Academic Club 4; Guidance Asst. 4; Football

Mgr. 1,2,3.

HEATHER L. NALLY: Conc. Band 1.

CHRISTINE NEHEMIAH.

TAMMY NEUBAUM.





MARK NEWMAN.
DAN NEWSOME.
VERNON NOEL.
EMILY NORDMANN: German Club 2; Fresh.
Chorus 1.
CANDICE NORDYKE: Teacher Asst. 4; Spanish
Club 2.

CHUCK NORDYKE: FCA 4; French Club 1;
Teacher Asst. 4; Football 1,2,3,4.
KIMBERLY NOVAK: French Club 2; Pep Club 2.
DAVID OLDHAM JR.: Intramurals 3,4; Teacher
Asst. 1,2,3,4; Thespians 1,3,4; Office Asst. 1,2,3;
Basketball 11(Capt); 1,2,3; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2.
THOMAS OLIVAREZ.
KELLY O'MALLEY.

KELLY O'NEAL: Teacher Asst. 3,4; Conc. Band 1.
BRIAN A. OSTER: Conc. Band 2; March. Inds.
2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Sym. Band 2,3,4.
KENNETH OSTRANDER.
LORI OUDERKIRK.
JESSE PACHECO: Boys' State 3; Pep Club 1,2;
Spanish Club 3; Conc. Band 1,2,3; Pep Band 1,2;
Football 1,2,3.

JENNIFER PADLO.
STEVE PALKO: Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Teacher Asst.
3,4; Thespians 2,3,4; Choraliers 2,3,4; Baseball 1,2.
JENNIFER PARKINSON: Teacher/Asst. 4; Conc.
Choir 1,2; Sym. Choir 3,4.
JOHN PARKS: FCA 1; Intramurals 3,4; Basketball
1,2; Football 1,2,3,4.
KEVIN PARSONS.

Spirits build as a school year ends

Teens enjoy the spring weather

As the snow began to melt, enthusiasm started to heat up as spring arrived. The excitement of warmer weather, spring break, Prom, graduation and the end of another school year was all around when spring came.

During the warmer weather students found themselves doing activities. Freshman David Lyons said, "Spring is an excellent time to skateboard. The weather is not too hot or too cold."

"In the spring I'm active in the spring musical. I also like to jog," said junior Ginger Ingram.

I'm definitely excited for spring and graduation. I will finally be out of high school.

— Steve Jahoda, senior

"I play sports in the spring," said freshman Tammy Campbell.

Spring meant more to seniors than just nicer weather and a school year ending. It meant Prom and, most importantly, to

some, graduation. "I'm excited about Prom this year because I think it will be more special, since it's the last big social event for seniors," said senior Tracy Chase.

For all students, this spring was a little different from past ones. Seniors had to save up four of their non-exempts to "earn" their senior week. In the past years this was automatically given to seniors. Two days were added to the end of the year because of the teachers' strike in January.

JENNIFER PATELLIS: FCA 3; Girls' State 3; SADD 1; Thespians 4; Prom Committee 3; Student Council Honorary Member 3/4; Conc. Band 1, 2.
LAWRENCE PAVIC.
VIKI PAVLAKOVIC.
BARRY PENNINGTON.
XAVIER PEREZ: Saga 3; Spanish Club 1; Speech/Debate 4; Conc. Band 1, 2, 3; March. Inds. 1, 2, 3, 4; Solo/Ens. 3.

TODD PETERS: Ski Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Teacher Asst. 1, 2, 3, 4. Class Rep. 1.
PHILIP PEZAN.
JEFFREY PHILLIPS.
TRASA PHILLIPS: French Club 1, 2; Saga 4; Teacher Asst. 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespians 4.
DAVID PIERONI: Prom Court 3; Baseball 3, 4. Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Swimming Capt. 2, 3, 4.

THOMAS PINER: Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Teacher Asst. 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4.
ED PITROWSKI: Baseball 2.
DAVID PLINOVICH.
BRIAN POE.
KELLY POFAHL: Conc. Band 1, 2; Jazz Band 1; March. Inds. 1; Sym. Band 4; Basketball 1, 2; Softball 2, 3, 4.



Top ten seniors revealed

Hufford leads class of '88

The class of 1988 was unusual in many ways. The most unusual, perhaps, is the fact that a brother/sister combination made the top ten of the graduating class.

Going to pre-med school at Stanford or Washington University is what valedictorian, Scott Hufford, will be doing in the fall. Scott obtained a 4.191 GPA.

Salutatorian, Pat McDonald, finished with a 4.093 GPA. Pat hopes to become a doctor.

Third-ranked Jennifer Hufford will be attending Butler University in the fall to study elementary education. Jennifer will leave PHS with a 4.063 GPA.

Most Valuable Wrestler, fourth ranked Doug Draia, finished with a 4.024 GPA. He will be attending

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I'll miss the good times I had with my friends at school functions.

— Cassie Gouger

Wabash College to obtain a chemistry major. He would like to be a pediatrician.

Attending Grace College will be Stacy Ball, who finished fifth with a 4.021 GPA. Stacy said, "I really want to work with the special ed. kids."

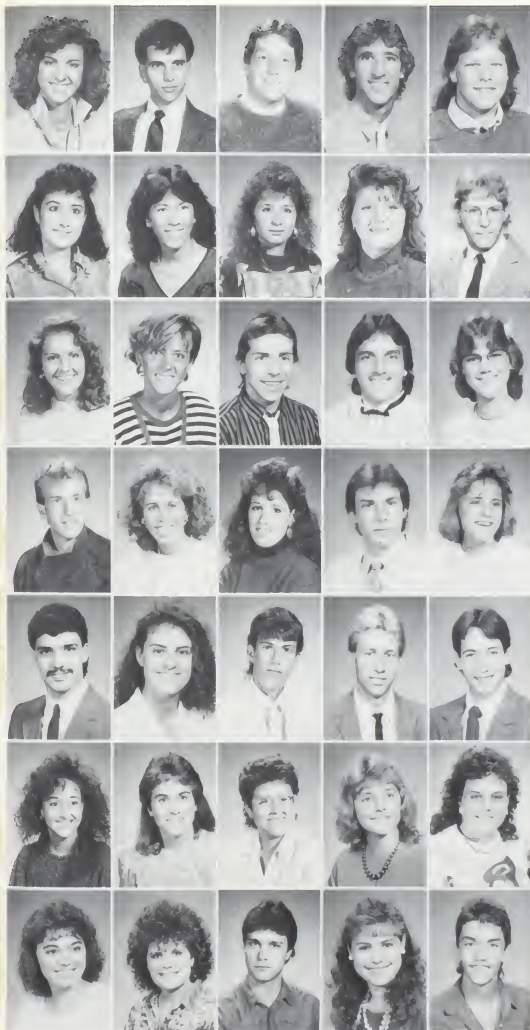
Graduating with the same GPA as Stacy is Tina Wiggins. Tina will be attending Indiana University in Bloomington to study English and political science.

Becoming an architect after college is where number seventh ranked Ken Ostrander is headed. He said that he enjoys drawing. Ken's GPA is 4.000.

Eighth-ranked Cassie Gouger will leave PHS with a 3.953 GPA. She is pursuing a civil engineer career. Cassie was a Junior Miss finalist.

Graduating with a 3.936 GPA is ninth-ranked senior Dawn Roque. Dawn will be majoring in music. She would like to go professional with her vocal skills.

Rounding off the top ten is Tina Sulich, with a 3.935 GPA. Tina would like to study dental hygiene. After college she wants to settle down and get married.



JULIE POPP.

SCOTT POWER: Speech/Debate 4; Jazz Band 3,4; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 4; Solo/Ens. 3,4; Student Council Honorary Member 4.

KEVIN A. POWROZEK: Legend 2,3,4. Academic Club 4; Quill/Scroll 3,4 (Sec'y/Treas.); Spanish Club 4; Teacher Asst. 3; Conc. Band 1,2; Conc. Orch. 2; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Sym. Band 2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.

PETE PRADZIAD.
ED PRICE.

MARGARITA PRIETO.

PATRICIA RADOVICH.

ANGELA M. RAINS.

PATRICIA RAMEY: French Club 1,2; Intramurals 2; Freshman Chorus 1.

KEITH RAY.

ELIZABETH RECIO: French Club 1,2; Pep Club 1,2. Tennis 2.

CHRISTINE KAI REESE: FCA 2,3,4; Homecoming Court 4; NHS 3,4; Tennis 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Capt. 4; Student Council Class Rep. 2.

SCOTT RETHERFORD: German Club 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3; Football 1; Track 1,2,3.

HECTOR REYES.

TRACI REYNOLDS: German Club 1,2,3,4; Saga 2,3; Science Club 1,2,3,4; SADD 2.

JEFFREY RHODY.

KRISTY RICH: FCA 3,4; Cross Country 3; Gymnastics 3,4; Track 3,4; Student Council Honorary Member 4.

RITA CHARLENE RIVERA: Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4.

BRIAN ROBBINS: Intramurals 1,2,3; Ski Club 1,2; Spanish Club 3; Conc. Band 1; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4; Golf 2; Honor Society 3,4.

KIMBERLY M. ROBBINS: FCA 1,2,3; Saga 4; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.

STEPHEN ROBERTS: Jazz Band 3,4. All State Jazz Band 4; Pit Orch. 3,4; Student Council Honorary Member 1; Class President 2.

ANITA ROE.

JERRY ROGERS.

RON ROHALEY: French Club 1; Intramurals 1,2; Sym. Choir 2,3,4; Football 1,2.

ROBERT ROMANOV.

CINDA RONDINELLI.

DAWN M. ROQUE: Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Portage Jr. Mix 4; NHS 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Teacher Asst. 4; Thespians 4; Choraliers 1,2,3,4; Sym. Choir 1,2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Student Council Class Rep. 1,2,3; Class Sec'y 4.

ESTHER MARIE ROSALES: Indianettes 1; Intramurals 1; Spanish Club 1; Volleyball 1,2; Volleyball Statistician 1.

SUSAN ROSE: Pep Club 4; Teacher Asst. 4.

VICTORIA ROSE: French Club 1; Pep Club 1,2,3; Spanish Club 2,3; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4.

KRISSAN ROSS.

STEPHANIE R. ROY: Latin Club 2; Teacher Asst. 1,3,4; Basketball Mgr. 1.

EVAN ROYER.

BARBARA RUCH.

KARL RUSHING.

ROBERT RUSZEL.
BEVERLY SABLE.
DOUG SADLER.
AMY L. SALAS: Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Gymnastics 4.
PATSY SALYERS.

FERNANDO SAMANO: Football 1.
JOHN SAMARDAK.
BILL SANDERS: Conc. Band 1,2; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4;
March. Inds. 1,2; Pep Band 1,2; Sym. Band 3,4;
Solo/Ens. 1,2,3; Football 1; Wrestling 1.
ANTIONETTE (TONI) SANTUCCI: Swimming
2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.
STEPHANIE LYNN SCHMIDT: French Club 2;
German Club 2,3; Intramurals 3; Pep Club 3; Media
Asst. 2,3.

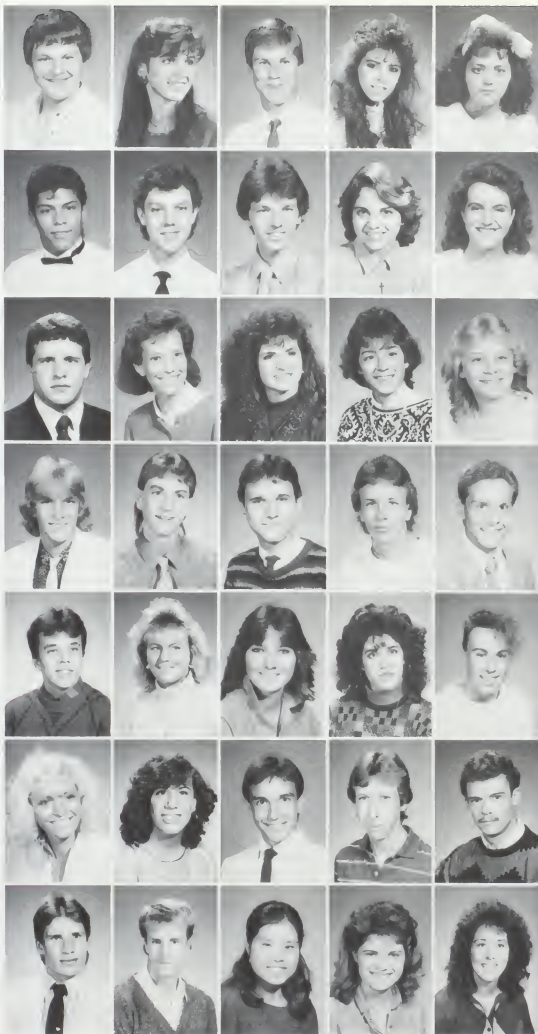
MICHAEL SCHULER: FCA 1,2,3,4; Intramurals
2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4 (Capt.).
DIANA SCOTT: French Club 1,2; Teacher Asst. 3.
HEATHER SEDAN: FCA 3,4; Intramurals 2,3; Pep
Club 4; Pom Pons 4; SADD 1,2; Teacher Asst. 4;
Thespians 4; Volleyball 1,2,3; Student Council
Honorary Member 4.
SUSAN SEIFRIG.
JENNY SEXTON: French Club.

JOE SHAY.
SCOT SHEARS.
JIM SHIRVINSKI: Chamber Orch. 4; Drum Major
1; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens 1; Student Trainer
(Football) 4.
CARL SHOEMAKER.
TOM SHURMAN.

TERRY SHUTTZ: Wrestling 1,2.
BETH SIMOLA.
TRACY SIMS.
JULIE SINGH: Choraliers 2,3,4; Conc. Band 1; Girls'
Ens. 1; Sym. Choir 2,3,4; Solo/Ens 1,2,3,4.
JOHN SKOLAK.

JANICE SLAVEY.
DEBBIE ANN SLOAN: Intramurals 4; Legend
1,2,3,4; Quill/Scroll 3,4; Spanish Club 2; Teacher
Asst. 4.
JEFF SMENYAK: Intramurals 2,3,4; Cross Country
1,2,3,4; Golf 1; Track 2,3,4.
AARON SMITH.
JAMES M. SMITH: Wrestling 1.

JEFF SMITH: FCA 2,3,4 (Pres.); Intramurals 2,3,4;
Prom Court 3,4; Teacher Asst. 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4;
Basketball 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4 (Capt.).
RICH SMITH: Conc. Band 1.
SUMMER SMITH: Conc. Choir 1.
TRACY JOAN SMITH: German Club 2,3 (Pres.); 4;
Latin Club 4; Science Club 2; Teacher Asst. 3;
World Affairs 4.
TRACY R. SMITH: Spanish Club 2; Basketball 1.





REBECCA SMOTHERS (ASHER).
DENNIS SNOWDY: Teacher Asst. 2.
MICHELLE LYNN SOBZAK: Homecoming Queen 4.

SARA SOLOMON.
ELIZABETH SOLTIS: French Club 1,2,3; FHS 2,3,4; Chamber Orch. 2,4; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3,4; String Ens. 1,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4; Conc. Master 1,4; Teacher Asst. 3.

KEN SOMESON.
SHIRLEY SPILLER: Teacher Asst. 3.
KERRY SPRINGMAN: Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.
SHERRY SPRINGMAN.
BONNI STANLEY.

LAURIE STANLEY.
TIMOTHY S. STANLEY: Ski Club 3,4.
BRUCE D. STARR: Chamber Orch. 4; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3,4; String Ens. 4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4.
KYLE STEPHENS: Office Aide 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4 (Capt.); Football 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.
JAMES "STEW" STEWART: JROTC Color Guard 1; Drill Team 1; Physical Fitness 1; Rifle Team 1; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Football 3,4; Swimming 1; Track 2,3,4.

Preferred instructors named Insight given on best teachers

Nearly everyone had a favorite teacher: someone who helped him understand what it meant to learn about the world around him.

What made a good teacher? Many people had many different opinions. According to Chance Hodges, freshman, a good teacher was someone "who doesn't take what he or she teaches too seriously." Chance's favorite teachers were Mr. Tom Sanidas and Mr. William Schott "because they bring out the lighter side of teaching."

Freshman William Aukse said, "(Teachers) have to enjoy teaching and be able to teach you so you can comprehend and understand it. They have to kind of 'let loose' and let you talk sometimes."

Someone who can communicate well with teenagers is a good teacher.

— Duane Hensley

Sophomore Duane Hensley said that his favorite teacher was Mrs. Donna Yaksic, who taught science. "She's really nice and lenient, and you can understand what she teaches."

To Rae Ann Rockhill, "a teacher that explains things well, listens to your side of the story, makes sure you understand everything thoroughly before going

on to the next thing and is willing to stay after school is a good teacher."

Miss Cheryl Bowser, math teacher, said a good teacher is "someone who will take the time to give extra help to students, shows genuine concern, and someone who the student feels that he or she can turn to for help." Miss Bowser said her seventh grade math teacher helped her choose her profession. "She gave me the extra shove that I needed, and she showed me that she cared."

Although the people interviewed differed on their criteria of a good teacher, most of them agree that a teacher has to genuinely care about students.

AMY LYNN STIFLE: French Club 2,3; Ski Club 2,3;
Photo Club 2,3; Teacher Asst. 3.
RHONDA ST. MYERS: Pep Club 3,4; Pom Poms
3,4; Spanish Club 1;
CHARLES STRADLEY.
PATRICK STRICKLAND.
KIMBERLY STROM: Conc. Band 1; Conc. Choir 1;
Pep Band 1; Sym. Choir 3; Girls' Glee 2; Volleyball 1.

SCOTT STUTEVILLE: Ski Club 1,2,3,4;
THOMAS LANCE SUGGS: Teacher Asst. 2,3,4;
Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,4.
CHRIS SULCER: Teacher Asst. 4; Conc. Band 1,2;
Conc. Orch. 2; Jazz Band 3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3;
Pep Band 1,2,3; Sym. Orch. 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1.
DORIE SULICH: Cheerleader 2,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4;
Pom Poms 3; Thespians 4; Basketball 1; Softball 2.
TINA SULICH: German Club 1,3(Treas.); (Vice-
Pres.); National Honor Society 3,4; Conc. Band 1;
March. Inds. 1; Pep Band 1,2; Sym. Band 2; Solo/
Ens. 1,2; Cross Country 2(Capt.);3; Swimming 4;
Track 2.

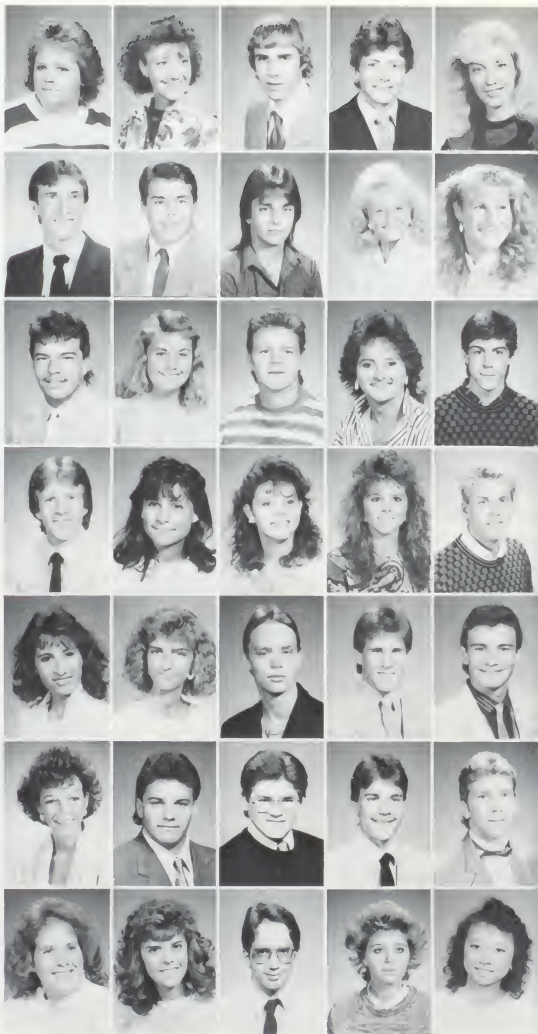
ED SULLIVAN.
SUSAN SULLIVAN.
ANDREW SULTZER.
TINA SWAB: Pep Club 3.
BRIAN SWAN.

MICHAEL SWEITZER.
KERRI LEA SWERDON: Cheerleader 1,2; FCA 3,4;
Pep Club 1,2,3; Teacher Asst. 2,4; Cross Country
3,4; Class Rep. 1,2,3.
KATHY L. SWITS: Intramurals 2,3.
VELDA SWIGON.
TIMOTHY SYPEREK

CATHY SZILLAGE: French Club 1; Science Club 1;
Conc. Choir; Sym. Choir 2; Volleyball 1.
KRISTINA SZYMANSKI
VINCENT TANKERSLEY.
DEAN TAVERNIER: Football 1,2,3,4.
MICHAEL T.A. TERWILLIGER: Boys' State 3; FCA
4; Intramurals 2; NHS 4; Saga 3; Cross Country
1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Student Council Hon. Member
4.

LISA THACKERSON: French Club 1; Indianettes 3;
Pep Club 3; Saga 4; Office Asst. 2,3,4; Conc. Choir
2,3; March. Inds. 3;
DERICK THIELBAR: German Club 1; Football
1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4.
ERIC THOMAS: Conc. Band 2; Conc. Orch. 2; Jazz
Band 1,2,3,4; March. Inds. 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4;
Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 3,4; Solo/Ens. 1,2,3,4;
MIKE THOMAS.
BRIAN THOMPSON.

CRISTIE THORN: Spanish Club 2; Conc. Choir
1,2,3; Sym. Choir 4.
LINDA TIPTON: Pep Club 1,2,3; Ski Club 1,2,3;
Teacher Asst. 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4(capt.);
Swimming 1; Tennis 2,3,4; Basketball Stat. 3; Class
Rep. 4; Class Sec'y 1,2; Class Treas. 3.
JOHN TOMAC: Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Science Club
2,3,4; Photo Club 4; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; School
Mascot 4.
PENNY TRACY.
ANH TRAN: Science Club 3,4(Treas.); Spanish Club
1,2,3,4; (Treas.); SADD 2.



Easter food drive proves successful

Students help the needy

Over the course of 10 days, the students collected 5,222 items in the Easter food drive.

"We tripled the turnout for the Thanksgiving food drive," recalled senior Scott Hoesman, the Student Council president. He said it seems that a tradition might be building and hopes it will continue for the sake of the whole community.

The drive began Mar. 14 and ended Mar. 23. The food was delivered by Student Council members to the needy persons' homes. A new twist was that each first period class was assigned to a certain family. Although the students did not know the names of their "family" members, they

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If I wanted pizza, I'd go buy one for \$10.

— Mitch DeGaetano, senior

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knew ages and sexes of the children and could donate different items.

The class that accounted for 20 per cent of the total gatherings was Mr. Yan Wolfman's first hour class. The students brought in 961 of the 5,222 items.

Mr. Wolfman added that many people might say they do not have the time or energy or they might just ignore a drive like this, but "these kids really cared."

Senior Mitch DeGaetano brought in approximately 330 items of his own. He went door to door, bought from the store and raided his cabinets.

The first place class received a pizza party as a reward for trying the hardest. "We DID NOT do it for the pizza," Mitch said.

Scott Hufford, senior, said, "Mitch was the motivation behind all 961." Another senior, Isabel Vahedi, said, "We made our best effort and had fun in such a worthy competition."

No matter for pizza, self-motivation or the good feeling of helping people out, students made the lives of 17 families happier for the Easter holiday.



PATRICK TREMBLY.
TAMARA TREMBLY: Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3.
AMANDA TROSPER: German Club 4; Speech/Debate 3.
MICHELLE TUCKER: Pep Club 3; Spanish Club 1,2; SADD 1,2,3; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Boys' Swimming Mgr. 4.
TRACY TUCKER.
DARRIN TUTHILL.
DENNIS (DENNY) ALLEN URCHICK: French Club 1,2; Intramurals 2,3,4; Pow Wow 3,4; Speech/Debate 3,4; Quill/Scroll 3,4; Teacher Asst. 4; Basketball 1,2; Football 1.
JAMES RONALD UTLEY JR.: Thespians 4; Conc. Band 1; Sym. Orch. 1,2,3,4; Basketball Mgr. 2; Football Mgr. 2,3,4.
VALERIE VACLAVIK: Science Club 3; Speech/Debate 3; Conc. Band 1,2; March. Inds. 2,3,4; Sym. Band 3,4; Sym. Orch. 3,4.
ISABEL VAHEDI: NHS 4; Science Club 4; Teacher Asst. 4; Solo/Ens. 2; Academic Decathlon and Super Bowl 4.
KELLILYN VALETICH: Media Asst. 3; Freshman Chorus 1.
RAQUEL VARGAS.
BRIAN VAUGHAN.
DEBORAH VAUGHN: Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Girls' State 3; NHS 4 (Sec'y); Pep Club 1,2,3 (Vice Pres.); (Pres); Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Thespians 4; Class Rep. 2; Stu. Coun. Hon. Member 1,4; Prom Court 3.
TERI VEATCH.

JAIME VELEZ: Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 2; Football 1,3,4; Track 1,3,4; Track Mgr. 2.
MICHAEL VERBOON,
JULIET RENA VERNON: Legend 1,2,3,4(Editor in Chief); Quill/Scroll 3,4; Teacher Asst. 1,2,3; Conc. Choir 3.
MARISSELA VILLANUEVA: Cheerleader 1; French Club 1; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Pom Poms 2,3; Conc. Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 1,2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Student Council Honorary Member 1,2.
MARY EMILE (AMY) VOYE.

LORI ANN WAHLMAN.
RENEE WALBRIGHT.
JUDY WALKER: Teacher Asst. 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1.
ANN WALTON: Intramurals 3; Spanish Club 1,2; Speech/Debate 2; Teacher Asst. 4; Conc. Choir 2,3; Freshman Chorus 1.
CHRISTINE ANN WARD.

DEANNA WARDECKI.
CHRISTOPHER A. WARREN: Speech/Debate 2,3; Teacher Asst. 4; Class Vice-Pres. 2; Class Treas. 2.
TINA M. WATERHOUSE: Conc. Choir 1,2,3,4.
Freshman Chorus 1; Mixed Chorus 1; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3; Solo/Ens. 4.
ANTONIA L. WATKINS: Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Sadd 1,2,3; Teacher Asst. 3,4.
JERRY WATSON.



Students experience handicap life — Health fair promotes awareness

Wheelchairs and exhibits took over the West gymnasium Mar. 22 for the first Health Fair.

The fair was from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Amy Miller, director of public relations for Porter Memorial Hospital, said the fair was aimed mainly at freshman and sophomore science classes but was open to all during lunch.

Among the booths were epilepsy information, glaucoma testing, Porter-Stärke Services, the Park Department, Lutheran Family Services, physical therapy, sport injuries, cardiac rehabilitation, the American Cancer Society and booths concerning diets, blood pressure and health careers.

Coordinating this project was Mr. Henry Looft, science department head. "I thought that health

and its aspects were very important," Looft commented.

Health Fair booth participants varied on reasons for being involved in this fair. Arlene Bartley, who along with Donna Philips passed out "Kiss Me - I Don't Smoke" stickers for the American Cancer Society, said, "I got involved with this organization

after I lost my mother to lung cancer." Bartley was a fulltime employee of the Portage Police Department and volunteered for the Cancer Society.

One of the busiest booths involved the opportunity to experience life like a handicapped individual might — in a wheelchair. Freshman Nathaniel Chaddock said, "I really enjoyed the wheelchair demonstration. You had to get dressed in the wheelchair, go up a ramp, through a tunnel and get a drink from the water fountain."

Lynne Jordan, who was at the health careers booth, summarized the day's activities. "This fair promotes the hospital to the community and the importance of health to the young people of Portage."

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We wanted to raise the awareness of this activity and help students understand exactly what a disabled person goes through.

— Jan Anderson, Porter Memorial physical therapist





Abbreviations

Asst.—Assistant
 Capt.—Captain
 Conc.—Concert
 Ens.—Ensemble

FCA—Fellowship of Christian Athletes
 March. Inds.—Marching Indians
 NHS—National Honor Society
 Orch.—Orchestra
 SADD—Students Against Driving Drunk
 Sec'y—Secretary
 Sym.—Symphonic
 Treas.—Treasurer

DAVID A. WAYNE: FCA 4; Baseball 3,4;
 Basketball 2,3,4/Capt.).
 MARSHA WEBBER.
 DAVID WEEKS.
 DENNIS WEEKS: Teacher Asst. 3,4; Football
 1,2,3,4.
 MELISSA WELTHER: Sym. Band 2,3,4; Cross
 Country 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4.

LARRY WESTMORELAND II.
 EDNA MARIE WHERRY: Teacher Asst. 2. Conc.
 Orch. 1; Pit Orch. 2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4.
 CHERI WHITE: Pep Club 2,3; Spanish Club 1,3,4;
 Conc. Band 2,3; Sym. Choir 4.
 DANIELLE WHITE: French Club 1; Indianettes
 2,3,4/Capt.).
 TRACY WHITE.

MIKE WHITEMAN.
 TINA WIGGINS: German Club 2,3,4; NHS 3,4;
 Quiz Bowl 4; Saga 2; Speech/Debate 3(Sec'y),4;
 Thespians 3,4; Drum Major 4; Jazz Band 4; March.
 Inds. 2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3; Pit Orch. 2,3,4; Sym. Band
 2,3,4; Sym. Orch. 2,3,4; Solo/Ens. 2,3,4; Student
 Council Honorary Member 4.
 CHRISTINE WILLIAMS.
 DONNA WILLIAMSON.
 CYNTHIA WILSON.

DAWN L. WILSON: Volleyball 2; Volleyball Stat.
 3.
 DAWN M. WILSON.
 DEBBIE WILSON: Intramurals 2,3; Teacher Asst. 2.
 Conc. Choir 1; Track 2,4; Volleyball 1.
 LORI WILSON: Teacher Asst. 1,3; Volleyball Stat.
 2.
 KIRT WITHAM: French Club 1,2; Swimming 3,4.

TAMMIE WITTEN: Teacher Asst. 3.
 TAMMARA WOOD: French Club 1; Indianettes 4;
 Pep Club 3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Teacher Asst. 4;
 Diving 2,3; Track 2,3,4; Student Council Honorary
 Member 4.
 JOWANNA WOODARD.
 DEBRA WRIGHT.
 ROBERT WRIGHT.

BRIAN ZELENICK: Wrestling 2,3.
 DEBBIE ZIELINSKI: Media Asst. 3,4; Conc. Band 1;
 March. Inds. 1; Solo/Ens. 1.

Michelle Abbott
Tracy Addison
Jim Adkins
Scott Adkins
Lori Ahner
Dale Ailes
Jeffery Alexander

Lynn Alkire
Candi Allen
John Almuist
Pete Andrich
Chris Andrysiak
Michael Ard
Joe Arvay

Bob Ashby
Bob Avery
Jim Aydelotte
Brenda Babich
Stacey Babich
Patty Baker
Cheryl Balazs

Kirk Banker
Ken Barker
Chris Barnes
Kim Barnes
Sharon Barnes
Chuck Barney
Michael Basich

Tammy Batton
Michelle Baugh
Renee Beaudreau
Beth Belcher
John Belcher
Amy Bellar
Samantha Berns



The crazies are out at dances

The feeling, the music, the motion really made students crazy at dances. "School dances were one of the most popular extracurricular activities this year," said sophomore Brian Eldridge.

For many reasons, students went to dances. Besides actually dancing, students attended to hang out with friends, meet new people and just sit around listening to music. Brian also added, "I go to dances to slam, jam, party, dance and hang out with friends."

The West gym was a new location for dances. According to the administration, students could have dances in the larger, more comfortable area as long as students wore socks or soft-soled shoes. Students seemed to like the dances better in the West gym

than the cafeteria. Junior Mike Curry said, "The dances in the gym are better, because there is more room to get down and boogie."

Semi-formal dances this last year were held in the East commons. Sophomore David Malott said, "The dances in the commons, despite the dancing space, are just as fun as the dances at West."

Students asked did not seem to care about what music was played. Brian said, "I don't care what music is played because I will dance to any song."

Junior Larry Smith said, "Dances are what you make of them. I make them fun so I have fun. I only wish they were just a little longer."



Showing their crazies are juniors Bob Hamilton, Pete Torres, Rick Hamman and Melissa Mendoza at the Homecoming dance in the West gym.



Josh Bettis
Jennifer Beyster
Aimee Biggs
Shelene Biggs
Kathy Biodrowski
L.L. Bishop
Missy Bishop

Jean Bittner
Lauta Blanton
Jonathan Blinco
Lewis Blink
Michelle Bogdan
Lisa Boling
Ron Bolton

Madeline Bonilla
Sheri Bono
Tim Bono
Pat Booth
Thomasina Borucki
Roxi Bothwell
Tricia Bothwell

Stephanie Boucher
Otto Bounds
Jesse Bradbury
Peggy Bradbury
Juanita Branham
Kimberly Brehmer
Robin Brewer

Adam Bridgegroom
Michelle Bristow
Dale Broadway
Betty Bombberg
Anne Brooks
Daria Brooks
D.D. Brown

Dave M. Brown
Deanna L. Brown
Diane Brown
Martina Brown
Rebecca Brown
Tammy Brown
Cathy Brunker

John Bryan
Lisa Burgess
Dawn Buschman
Jason Cain
Tom Caldwell
Lourdes Cantu
Tim Canzano

Nicole Carlson
Scott Carr
Dana Castellanos
Paul Cathcart
Tito Caudillo
Chris Cazel
Annesha Chadock

Beth Chapman
Jason Chapman
Kim Chaverria
Shawna Chavez
Dawn Childers
Craig Chubbuck
Jennifer Cimbula

Gene Clampitt
Bonna Clapp
Francie Clausen
Corey Clift
Jackie Coffee
Carol Cole
Cassie Coleman

Sarah Elderkin
Mike Elkins
Jeff Ellis
Pam Ellis
Paul English
Jeff Estes
Bob Evans

Vicki Falkowski
Misty Fancher
Angie Fast
Curtis Fast
Michelle Felter
Brian Fidler
JASON FIKE

Tracey Finney
Vinnie Fischer
Justin Fitch
Traci Fleck
Vicky Flowers
Chad Forney
Michelle Forrest

Norma Foster
Rod Foster
Jim Franczek*
James Frazier
Tony Galasso
Joe Garavalia
Bob Gary

Rhonda Gass
Heidi Gaze
Bob Getzen
Jill Giberson
Laurie Gibson
Francine Gilbert
Mark Gilbert

Chris Coleman
Alex Colon
Juan Colon
Michelle Combs
Stefani Coomer
Linda Coons
Michelle Corley

Tammy Coros
Alison Cotton
Beverly Cowan
Brian Cox
Dave Cox
Ken Cox
Doyle Crowe

Antonia Cuevas
Sam Cunningham
Michael Curry
Dan Cullin
Denny Dalka
Vickey Dalka
Kim Daly

Jeff Dame
Terry Daniel
Steve Davies
Kevin Delgado
Bill Dillard
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'Hot spots' for spring break

Whether it was the hot white sands of Hawaii or the loud rock music of the Florida beaches, students would find a place to go for spring break.

Around spring break time every year, students seemed to get enthused about going on their trips. Most students wanted to leave and go to another state or even another country. According to an agent from Travel World in Portage, Florida seemed to be a favorite vacationing spot. He said, "Florida is the busiest during spring break because one out of every 10 people decide to go there, and the majority of those people are teenagers." Maybe it is because of their crowded beaches or their famous hotel parties. The

sudden impact of all those students provided a reason to party.

Deciding where to go for spring break was a problem for many students. Many of their places picked to go to were almost dream vacations, as in freshman Adam Jaworski's choice to go to Acapulco. "I heard they have the best girls there, especially the ones on the beaches," he explained.

On the other hand, junior Vicky Flowers went on her dream vacation to Puerto Rico for spring break '87 and said she would go again.

So whether it was a cool, crisp trip to Colorado or a hot, sunny trip to Florida, the trips were great for spring break '88!



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School and drugs; the two aren't a mixture

"Just say no." This campaign reached across the country including here.

"People who bring drugs to school or come to school under the influence will be expelled from school!" said Mr. Michael Pavell, assistant principal at East. If a student came to school under the influence, the school called the police. The student was arrested and could have been sent to Juvenile Detention Center (JDC).

If a student is planning on attending college following high school, expulsion for drugs will hurt his chances of attending a good college. One senior said, "A college will look down on a student that has been kicked out of school for drug use. They want an individual who wants to learn and takes their education seriously by not coming to school drugged up or bringing drugs to school or

coming to school under the influence."

"Drugs can affect the way a student performs in his or her school work," junior Jim Widener explained. "Coming to school under the influence can hurt the student's work and the student could get caught and possibly be expelled. I don't care if students come to school with drugs or stoned, just that they don't disrupt the rest of the school."

Junior Sarah Elderkin said, "I would look down on someone who was kicked out of school for the use of drugs. The only people they are hurting are themselves. They are not doing anything to anyone else."

Junior Lori Ahner said, "I would look down on the person because I don't think that is right to use drugs!"

Most students asked said that

their parents would help them, rather than kick them out of the house, if they had problems with drugs.



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Babysitting: ideal job for teens, or was it?

Babysitting, the ideal job. But was it? Jim Franczek, junior, who used to babysit for his cousins, said, "It's hard finding a job when you're a male." He said that if boys babysat for girls, the parents were apprehensive. They sometimes thought the boy was going to try something improper.

There are many reasons students babysat. The biggest one was money. "I don't like kids. I babysit for the money," Mindi Uhls, freshman, said. Wendy Spiller, sophomore, said she babysat for the money, also.

For her services, Kristie Wright, freshman, charged \$1 per hour for one child, \$1.50 for two children, and \$2 for three or more youngsters. Wendy said she also charged \$2 an hour.

For these \$2 rates, babysitters went through many trials. Kristie said, "I put a Pop-tart with an aluminum foil wrapper in the microwave. It blew up (the Pop-tart)."

While babysitting, something wrong always seemed to happen. Either the

child would get hurt or end up missing for a period of time. Wendy had to deal with a child falling down the stairs. "I just held him 'til he stopped crying," she said.

Some things seem to happen all at once. The child starts crying and the phone rings. Picked it up and ... what's that noise? Yes, it was someone at the door!

Babysitting could be peaceful at times. Playing with the children, bathing them and watching Sesame Street seem to be a few ways to pacify children. As soon as they get bored with toys, pruned up in the bathtub, and Bert and Ernie had said their good-byes, the sitter needed to find some new and amusing project.

Senior Tina Baker said, "I babysat for a brat once and he screamed all night. I hope I never do that again."

The children were in bed, time to relax. There were books to read, homework to be done, TV programs to be watched, and most importantly, people to be called. A short while after getting into

the latest gossip with a friend, a quiet voice was heard. "Can I have a drink of water?" or "The light in the bathroom isn't on", or sometimes even, "When is Mommy getting home?"

Most parents wanted the sitters to get along with the children. Mrs. LuAnne Pezel, mother of three, expected her babysitter to do just that. "I want them to babysit my children," she said. She wants the sitter to amuse and watch them.

Giving the children the proper attention is what is expected from a babysitter, said Phyllis Reid, mother of three. "Supervising with authority is what makes a good babysitter," she added. "I'm not the type of person who gets upset if the dishes pile up or the house gets a little messy, as long as they spend quality time with my kids."

Parents seem to love their babysitters efficiency these days. Keep babysitting, and why not? Babysitting was the ideal job, or was it?

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Sheli Stratton
Mark Strickland
Allen Striplin

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Laura Sulich
Heather Sullivan
Patrick Sullivan
Mike Sutter
Rob Taggart
Lisa Tarrant

Dwayne Tate
Shauna Taylor
Tammy Taylor
Paul Tays
Angie Teague
Melissa Tets
Kristine Tefleau

Jodi Tennant
Bryan Terry
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Rob Torres
Valerie Torrez
Wendy Towery



Music: a part of high school students' lives

Almost all teenagers had some kind of music that appealed to them. Whether it was hard rock, soul, rap, country or other music, students seemed to be attracted to a certain type of music.

Freshman Dana Carrillo liked up-to-date music like that of Debbie Gibson, George Michael, Marris and Atlantic Starr because "it's not too hard or loud. It's also great to dance to, and the lyrics make sense."

Junior Jeff Estes said, "I like the music that (doesn't) blow your eardrums out. I also like the music that you can lay back and relax to."

This was considered to be the "year of music". The top songs of the year were "I Think We're Alone Now", "Shake Your Love"

"I Want Your Sex" and "Here I Go Again".

"My favorite songs are "Pump Up The Volume" and "Push It" because I like how they sound," said Dana.

In the last year, record sales were up. More people were buying records. One worker at a record store said, "There have been more records sold in the last year than any other year this decade."

According to a local record store, the top selling albums this year were *Slippery When Wet* by Bon Jovi, *Licensed To Ill* by the Beastie Boys and *The Joshua Tree* by U2.

Freshman Lisa Vogan said her favorite album was *Faith* by George Michael because "I like

the songs and he is sexy, too!"

Drugs seemed to be a major problem with some rock stars. Some rock stars got together and formed Rock Against Drugs (RAD). This group spoke out on the use of drugs in an average person's life, as well as rock stars who used drugs.

Dana said, "Drugs and rock and roll do not mix. Artists would do twice as good if they didn't use drugs."

Most students believed that music will never end. Junior Brian Fidler said, "Music will always be, and it will never die."

Dana said, "Music will live on as long as people are still listening to it. I love music, and I believe that music is an important thing to me and other students as well."



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Cigi Velez
April Vestal
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Mark Vittetoe
Judy Waddell
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Rob Warchus

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Cina Wardecki
Darren Warne
Joyce Warren
Shelley Warren
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Renee Watkins
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Mark Weller
Kristie Wendrick
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Renee Whiteside
Kelly Whitten
Carol Wick

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Kathy Wiggins
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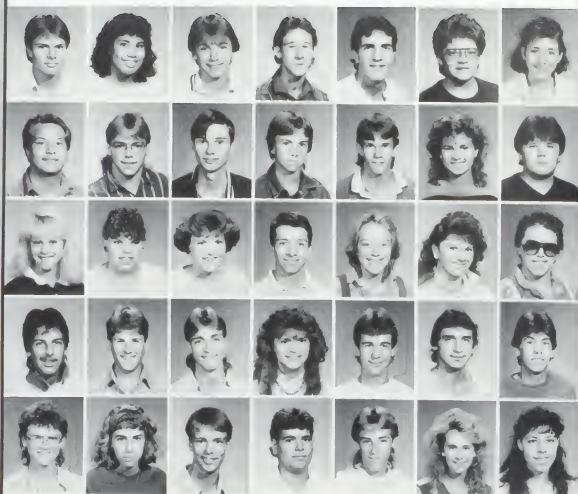
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Money — the important thing in life, or is it?

Money! Today money is very important in everyone's life.

Teenagers often relied on their parents to give them money, while others got jobs and earned their own.

How important is money? To what extremes would students go to earn \$1,000? Once they had \$1,000, how would they spend it? "For \$1,000 I would go out with the ugliest girl in school, and maybe even kiss her," said Patrick Neary, junior.

Sophomore Scott McRobert said, "I would go down Niagara Falls in a barrel". Scott and Pat agreed that they would have a huge party with the money.

"I would clean my room, do dishes, scrub floors, and not talk on the telephone for three days," said freshman Sherri Noel. "I

would take the money and go to Great America with my boyfriend and use what is left to buy school clothes."

One junior girl said, "I would tell Mr. Lasky that he is gorgeous to his face. With the \$1,000 I would take George Michael and go to Jamaica."

Paul Ostrander, sophomore, said, "I would attend every Saturday class for one year. I would take the money and rent a limousine to take my girlfriend out."

"I would shave my head," responded Samantha Wheeler, junior. "Then I would go on the 'Love Boat' or some kind of cruise like that."

Sophomore Tom Henry said, "I would lie, steal, cheat, fight and clean my room. I would put the money in the bank to save for the

future."

Freshmen Wendy Robinson and Nicole Gagna said, "I would clean house for one year." Nicole would save 75% of the money and spend 25% of it on clothes. "I would put some of the money in the bank, use some of it to go shopping and use the rest to have a party," said Wendy.

"I would do whatever someone told me as long as it was in my limits of humiliation," responded junior Mike Schultz. "I would use the money to put a down payment on a car."

"For \$1,000, I would stand on my head and drink water through my nose. I would probably use the money to buy myself a deluxe stereo system," said Jeff Wardell, sophomore.



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Ted Kalch
Dennis Kalina
Tom Karacsony
Lonny Keen
Pam Keen
Shanon Keen



Michael P. Gonzalez — striving to be the best

Getting straight A's through elementary, middle and high school is not an easy task. Just ask sophomore Mike P. Gonzalez. He has been getting them as long as he can remember.

"Once I received a 'B' in freshman PE," Mike said. "I feel PE should not be mandatory for two years in school," Mike said with a laugh.

Mike is a 5'8" redhead that expects A's and usually, if not always, receives them. He has lived in Portage since May of 1978.

Mike is known by friends as Gonzo, Michael P. and Pedro.

"Mike is a great guy," said Shannon Woodside, sophomore.

"He helps us (his friends) with our homework and is always quick with a joke."

"I am not big on participating in sports, but I will always be a big Chicago sports fan," said Mike. "I like collecting baseball cards and memorabilia."

Some students see Mike as one of, if not the, smartest sophomore in PHS. "I really don't care if other people think I am good or bad. I motivated myself into being successful, and I like what I am doing," said Mike.

Mike expects to receive an academic scholarship when he graduates.

A few of Mike's accomplish-

ments include being a member of the 1985 Willowcreek Middle School spelling team which won the regional title and placed fourth in state. In 1986 he was the runner-up in the Duneland Conference Geometry Contest, as well the State Geometry Contest. He also scored a 1350 on the SAT test, which outranked 95 per cent of all college bound seniors who took the test. The score was among the top ten in the entire Midwest.

Mike said, "I want to be the best in the Class of '90 and ace the SAT. I would like to succeed at whatever I try and be rich and powerful."

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Donna Kotulock
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Caisa Orr
Ruben Ortiz
Paul Ostrander
Drake Overturf
Christy Padlo
Stan Padlo
Evette Pagan

Isaac Pagan
Sally Palko
Angie Pantell
Keri Parsons
Chad Patsel
Tabitha Penrose
Tom Perez



Students chosen for Hugh O'Brian Leadership

One sophomore had the opportunity to attend an all-expense-paid trip to Indianapolis for the 30th annual Hugh O'Brian Leadership seminar. The eligible student was Kevin Mattix.

Sophomores Kevin Mattix, Kurt Squire and Charles Logsdon were eligible to participate at the regional seminar in Merrillville Nov. 14 because their essays were chosen as the best by the judges. The alternate was Marty Robinson. The three major topics to be discussed were leadership, volunteerism and entrepreneurship.

The Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Foundation, celebrating its 30th anniversary, was set up to help motivate, train and reward future sophomore leaders, preparing them for leadership positions

in their school, and developing the talents that will serve them in the future, according to material from the foundation.

Mrs. Dorothy Kurtz, English teacher at PHS and judge of essays, said, "The sophomore class was chosen because they are just developing as high school students."

The selection of the winners began with any sophomore who wanted to participate. They were to write three paragraphs on leadership, sensitivity and concern for others, and sharing their experience or knowledge. Some teachers made the essay mandatory, and some made the paragraphs extra credit.

A group of judges selected the four best essays. Judges included

Mr. Richard Kirchner, assistant principal; Miss Shirley Speilman, English department coordinator; Mrs. Kurtz; Mrs. Cathie Jacobs, English teacher; Cathy Huey, senior; and two members of a local women's club.

Mrs. Kurtz said, "From there the judges looked at the students' activities, grades and how well-rounded the four finalists were." She added that the selections were made by numbers, and the judges did not know the finalists' names.

Before the seminar, Charles said, "By going to the seminar I hope to learn more about leadership by attending. I want to become a better leader."

Kevin explained, "I hope to learn more about leadership by attending. I want to become a better leader."



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Denise Planas
Scott Plew

Mike Plinovich
Jason Pollock
Amy Pollock
Eric Powers
Billie Price
Dwayne Price
Laura Price

Amy Pridmore
Daymond Quick
Susanna Rains
Martha Ralph
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Kemon Randolph
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Mike Redlark
Jason Reese
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Jeff Rivas

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Keith Rookie
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Randy Scott
Kari Selby
Shannon Sells
Jennifer Servey

Wendi Shaffer
Carrie Shane
Amber Shaw
Catherine Shaw
Ric Sherrard
Ken Shield
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Erika Smith
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Santana Sosa
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Laura Soucy
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Michelle Spencer

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Wendy Spiller
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Kurt Squire
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Tracy Sulich
Christine Sullivan
Brenice Summerfield
Dan Sutton
Kurt Swindle

Cindy Swisher
Kim Szmuto
Lisa Szymanski
Charlene Taylor
Jack Taylor
Brian Terwilliger
Eric Terwilliger



Juniors Kristi Wendrickx and Kathy Biodrowski discuss Tom Burke's hair style. A group of friends went to Dr. George McKay so that Tom could wear his hair the way he wanted.

Stereotypes: students' reaction

Who are they? Punk? Prep? Jock? Hood? How are people classified?

"Jocks are the most known group at PHS," said Diane Reichers, junior. "Punks" came in second for the next well known group at PHS.

Mandi Koslow, junior, responded, "Jocks are guys or girls who put sports number one in their life. They will do anything to be the best. They are also nice people."

"They are all the same to me, but they dress and look different," said Jean Bittner, junior.

On the other hand, senior Mis-sie Klimaszewski said, "I hang

around with my friends. It doesn't matter who or what they are."

"I really don't know a lot of preps, so I can't really say what I think of them, but I imagine they get good grades and don't cause a lot of trouble," said junior Ken Barker.

"Punks are people who want to be different, not for attention, but for themselves," said Mandi.

"I really don't think it is fair to classify people in groups we are all the same, but then also we are all different and 'unique' in our own way. I get along with just about everybody, no matter what group they belong to," said Michael Elkins, junior.



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Donna Tischbein
Missy Tomak
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William Treib
Scott Trembicki
Jack Trent

Vivian Tressler
Sharon Tupper
Jamie Turner
Tracey Turner
Val Turner
Tony Tyka
Shellie Untch

William Uporsky
Amy Ure
Joe Ursida
Missy Utterback
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Chris Young

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Cara Austin
Nathan Autrey
Caresa Ayres
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Karen Bane
Ricky Barajas
Dennis Barnes
Jeff Baros
Edgar Batista
Laura Baugh
Shawn Baugh

Chris Bayer
Heather Bazaldua
Rebecca Beason
Maggie Bedroya
Wyatt Begeeske
Kris Belcher
Glen Bell

West: the freshmen's own place to call home

PHS was unique since it had two buildings. One was personally for the freshman class. The upperclassmen here attended East, while the freshmen had their own building at West.

Some students felt freshmen having their own building had its advantages. The biggest one was that few upperclassmen occupied the building normally. It was a fairly small building, so students did not get lost too often.

The freshmen saw some disadvantages when comparing the two different buildings. At West, jammers, or any sort of radios, were not allowed to be played. Dale Broadway, junior, said, "The jammer policy is not fair. They should have a designated area at

West."

Freshmen did not have any smoking privileges, either. The biggest disadvantage was the subschool, according to most students asked. Freshman Dana Carrillo said, "I don't like the subschool because you can hear all the other classes going on, which is very distracting."

A big debate was that PHS was two schools instead of one since there are two buildings. Dale replied, "I think PHS is two schools because all the freshmen are in one building." Dana said, "PHS is one school because all students attend the same sports, dances and other extracurricular activities."

Even though West was the freshmen's own building, some

students had classes at both buildings. Students were able to leave three minutes early to get to the other building. Freshman Chris Spradlin liked crossing buildings because "it gets me out of classes earlier." Dale said, "I don't like it because sometimes it's snowing or raining, and it's miserable to cross buildings."

Most freshmen seemed to like West because it was "their" own building and they could take control of "their" school. Dana concluded, "It's what you make of it. If you make it fun, you will have fun. If you don't make it fun, you won't like it."

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Kevin Bozman
Arlin Bradley
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Mark Broda
Anthony Brown
Cory Brown
Guy Brown

Jenny Brown
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Christina Campbell

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Casey Clem
Mark Click

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Randy Coffing
George Coffman
Denise Cole
Jamie Cole
Brian Coleman





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Sandi Crook
Joel Crozier

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Kasey Curtis
Michelle D'Alonso
Shannon Dailey
Patty Daniel
Misty Davenport

Colette David
Wendy David
Amy Davis
Vince Davis
Donovan DeGaetano
Tony DeLeon
Ed DeLuca

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Tracy Desamer
Dawn DeRose
Mike Dever
Melissa DeVinney
Tim Diakis

Michele Dick
Lisa Dickerson
Danny Dishno
Kelly Dixon
Ljubica Djordjevic
Les Doepping
Dani Donohue

Brian Dossett
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Tom Duff
Kathleen Dujmovich
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Brandy Ennulat
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Samantha Essig
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Sherry Evans
Alicia Ewen

Joe Falatic
Michelle Fallon
Tracee Fasel
Eric Fayish
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Tracy Felinski
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Vacations during school can cause problems

Vacations during the summer, Christmas or Spring Break were often common. Yet there were those students who took time during the school year. Junior John Belcher was one of those students who took a vacation during school with his family.

Students who took family vacations during the school year had only five excused school days. The new school rule said the five days had to be consecutive. If a student used only three days of his excused vacation, the student could not use anymore without those days being non-exempt. This may have caused a problem with parents' and students' scheduled vacations.

Students spoke out both for and against these vacations taken dur-

ing school time. Sophomore Cassidy Grube said she'd rather take her vacation time in summer because when she took her vacation during school, she fell too far behind in her classes and it was hard to catch up. On the other hand, junior Sheena West said that she did not have any problems catching up on her work when she got back from her vacation.

John added that when he took his vacation, it was at the end of the year, right before finals. He said it was hard to catch up the work in time for the finals.

Many teachers disapproved of students and their parents taking vacations during school. Mr. Dennis Norman, English teacher, said students who took family vacations during school caused dis-

ruptions in the students' work because they sometimes didn't make up their work. He understood why students took their vacations, but it did cause some problems.

Most teachers did try to help the students catch up on the missed assignments. Senior Beth Meneau said when she took days off from school for her vacation, she didn't fall behind in class because her teachers helped her catch up in her work.



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*Jon Lyon died on Oct. 31, 1987. The Legend staff would like to extend its sympathies to his friends and family.



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Preparing chicken to be sold at the local Kentucky Fried Chicken are seniors Matt Hill and Chris Hoddsen.

Jobs: cash the main reason

"Work, work, work; that's all I do!" This was a comment make by one employed student.

Dale Broadway, junior, said, "There are some days I want to go to work, then there are the days I don't want to, but I do because of the money." Almost all of the students interviewed said they worked mainly to pick up needed cash. "I got the job because my mom got on my back to get employed. I also got the job for the compensation," said senior John Tomac. "I like working at Camelot Lanes very much because I have a lot of free time, and my employers have an insurance policy on me there," he said. With the advantages came disadvantages. "My disadvantages are working real late until early the next morning," John said.

Some students went to work to save up for a car, motorcycle or stereo. "I went to work because I wanted my own car. I got tired of asking my parents if I could borrow theirs," sophomore Larry Achten said.

"Working is a big responsibility," said junior Chris Barnes. "At first I thought it was going to be a breeze; well, I thought wrong."

"I barely had time to do my homework," said Jason Trezak, junior. "It was tough to get it finished after or before work." Jason worked at Schoops Hamburgers in Hobart.

"The pay is not the greatest, and neither are the hours, but until I find something better, I am going to continue working at the bowling alley," said one junior boy.



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Adrienne Patty
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Buying and spending, all a part of being a teen

To go shopping, people need money. That's okay if they have a steady job. But what if they don't? How else can they earn some extra bucks? It takes money to do most anything: get a car, buy gas, or even go out with some friends.

Most girls spent their money on clothes, but there are many things they needed money for, such as tickets to a football game or money for pizza or hamburgers. Meredith Becker, sophomore, said, "I spend a lot of my money to go out with my

friends."

A couple of common ways that guys made their money were cutting grass and painting. Juniors Mike Curry and Brian Fidler said they got \$300 for painting a bathroom and kitchen.

Julie Nelson, sophomore, said, "I usually babysit to make money. Once in a while I cut people's hair. The way to get jobs is to let people know you're available." Julie said she usually told people but sometimes she wrote pamphlets with her name, her phone

number, willingness to work. She took the pamphlets and placed them in mailboxes in her neighborhood.

Julie said teenagers should work. She said, "I feel a student should make their own money instead of relying on their parents, because that is the way it is in the real world."



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Teacher hopes to attend college, again

Who would want to spend 28 years of her life teaching an English class? Mrs. Patricia Klewer, that's who.

Mrs. Klewer attended Valparaiso University and holds her bachelor's and master's degrees. However, one of her goals for the next one to three years is "to quit teaching temporarily and go back to school to obtain a doctorate in language arts."

Mrs. Klewer has been a teacher for 28 years. She began her teaching career at Liberty Township Schools. She taught at Liberty Township for three years before making the change to Portage Township Schools.

Mrs. Klewer has taught at Portage for 25 years. The first Portage school she taught at was Aylesworth. She then moved a few blocks away to Fegely Middle

School. When the decision was made to move the ninth graders out of the middle schools and to Portage High School West, she then moved along with them to their new destiny. She has since been at PHS West.

She had wanted to become a teacher all her life, but her real inspiration was her seventh grade English teacher in Pontiac, Mich.

Mrs. Klewer has been responsible for teaching the Individualized Language Arts (ILA) format for 10 years. She has trained other teachers in seminars in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio. She also trains the new teachers in the Portage Township Schools.

She said that one of the positive aspects of being a teacher is "having the opportunity to work with all the children. "One of the negative aspects is "not having time to

get grading and all the million little details taken care of, such as attendance."

She said, "Portage High School is an excellent school in which to teach. It has an excellent faculty, overall, and a wide range of curriculum. In general, Portage does a good job of educating youth. Portage is one of the top schools in Indiana."

Mrs. Klewer's hobbies include music, drama, bowling, swimming, raising cats, reading and refinishing furniture.

A goal of hers is to someday have a house on the ocean and to write a children's literature book.

Mrs. Klewer would like the students of PHS to remember one simple thing. "The more you read, the more you can benefit from life."

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Mayor Sammie Maletta and Supt. of Schools, Dr. Donald Bivens stand at Imagination Glen Park during the commemoration of the bicentennial of the signing of the Constitution.



New school board member appointed

Faculty members earn awards

Teachers, as well as students, excel in many ways. The following are just a few honors received.

Mr. Ron Hancock, teacher of U.S. Government and sponsor of Student Council, was awarded Outstanding Indiana Educator and was also elected as the regional representative for six states to the National Association of Student Councils. Mr. Hancock said his main responsibility was to help organize the National Convention of Student Councils in New Mexico.

Mr. Richard Mason, coach of the girls' and boys' varsity tennis teams, was selected to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame's 1988 Silver Anniversary All-Star team. Mr. Mason is a science teacher at Fegely Middle School.

Mr. Martin Troglio, vocational printing instructor, was cited by the Indiana Department of Education for his contribution to the local adult education program. Such programs helped adults who

didn't have a high school education improve their reading and other basic skills and to receive a high school equivalency diploma. For the past 17 years, Mr. Troglio has printed all of the materials used by the Portage Adult Basic Education Program.

Mrs. Gail Trobaugh, special education teacher, was awarded Outstanding Teacher of the Year by the state Council for Exceptional Children. Mrs. Trobaugh has taught for 13 years.

"I was really honored; to be chosen by peers throughout the state is a great thrill and honor," she commented.

In another aspect, several teachers were honored with the birth of children or the excitement of marriage. Mr. Larry Tharp, science teacher, and Mr. Scott Schafer, choir director, both received an addition to their families with the birth of a baby boy. On the other hand, Miss Heidi Westerman, American Studies teacher, and

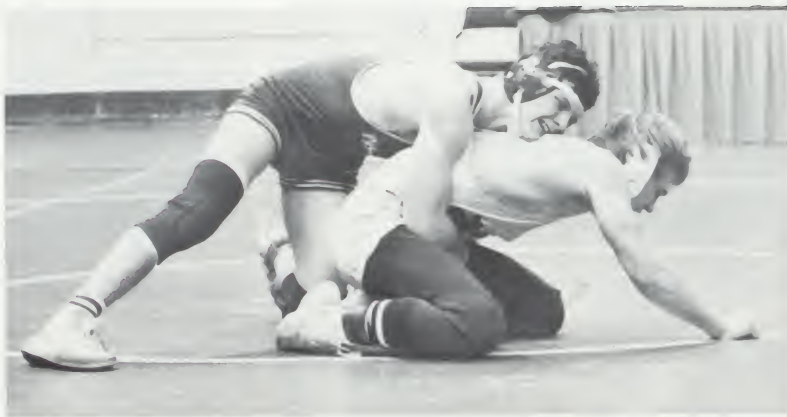
Miss Elsie Rivera, Spanish teacher, were both married, and Mrs. Jerry Krysa, security officer, and Mr. Greg Kirby, typing and law teacher, were married to each other during the summer.

Mr. Terry Hufford was appointed the fifth member of the Portage Township Board of School Trustees. He replaced Mr. John Williams, who resigned because he moved from the township.

Mr. Hufford, who has four children in the school system, has been a resident of Portage for 16 years. He is a construction supervisor at Bethlehem Steel Corp.

"I wanted the position because I thought I could be beneficial to the school system. I have a really special feeling for this school system," he said, adding that he believes improving communication between the board and other areas of the school community should be a priority issue.

'P' layers showing off



Don't push it hard Athletes stress talent

Most people think that to excel in a sport, a person's limits must be tried. But this is not necessarily the case. Many of those who excel say they don't push themselves very hard.

Tim Syperek, senior swimmer, said that "you have to use your natural talent," but not to push too hard.

Most valuable gymnast, freshman Katie Shurman, said that to her, gymnastics "comes pretty easy."

Basketball's standout, sen-

ior David Wayne, said that a sport's talent has to come naturally and shouldn't be pushed too hard. David said, "(I) give my best ... try my hardest." He attributes his success to his dad and all of his coaches. David helped his team to the first-ever regional title.

But these three agree that there are limits and an athlete can try too hard. David said "If you push too hard, you'll screw up."



Holding the up and down position at the state wrestling meet, senior MVP Doug Draia gets ready to start the period.

State-qualifier senior Noel Cullen helps his team to a home victory against Hammond Gavit.



Another winning moment as senior David Wayne raises the sectional championship trophy. David was named to the Athletic Hall of Fame.

Delicately balancing, freshman MVP Katie Shurman warms up for the home meet against Lowell. The girls won this meet.



Running to catch his Chesterton opponent, senior Mike Terwilliger pushes himself to his limit. The team placed third at state.

Leading a pack of runners at the boys' cross country semi-state are junior Dave Brown and senior Jeff Smenyak. The team won to advance to the state meet.

Staying just ahead of a Chesterton runner in regionals is freshman Jason Casiano. After winning regionals, the team advanced to semi-state.



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Boys' Cross Country 8-0

Penn Hokum Kareem	Won
Lake Central	Won
Rebel Invite	1st
Merrillville	Won
Renn Central Invite	1st
LaPorte/New Prairie	Won
New Prairie Invite	1st
Rogers/Chesterton	Won
Southport Invite	1st
Valpo/Hobart	Won
Crete-Monee Pow Wow	4th
Conference	1st
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	1st
Semi-State	1st
State	3rd

Boys' Cross Country — Front Row: Ray Thompson, Kurt Squire, John Hill, Chris Hagan, Mike Baker, Jason Casiano, Mike Homme, John Lamberrie, Mike Zimmerman. Row 2: Jeff Fitch, Jeff Servaty, Dan Konarski, Jay Trooper, Mike Vogan, Steve Dixon, Matt McCulloch, Vince McCulloch. Back Row: Coach Dan Newton, Marc Timberman, Scott Hufford, Jeff Smenyak, Jeff Rhody, Dave Brown, Pat McDonald, Jim Krause, Craig Miller, Mike Terwilliger, Coach Bill Wilke.

Varsity cross country's Most Valuable Player for the 1987-88 season was senior Mike Baker.





Cross Country



Boys take third in state

It seemed inevitable to these runners that they were going to end up with an undefeated season. Not only did they go undefeated, but they earned a No. 1 state ranking during the season and a third place in the state meet.

"I like it. It's nice to know that I was part of an undefeated season," said junior Danny Konarski.

"It's good, it helps build confidence, gives us incentive for the state meet," said senior Mike Baker.

The team improved from a No. 2 ranking in the 86-87 season to their No. 1 ranking (throughout the regular season) this year. "A lot of guys have improved. The team has the ability to pick each other up," said junior Dave Brown.

People might stop and wonder if there were any pressures put on the team. Jason Casiano, freshman, said, "None, really. I just look up to the seniors." Jason started on the varsity team as a freshman.

Danny said, "Not really any pressures. You can't let it bother you; if you win you win; if you don't, you don't."

Some of the players were asked before hand what they thought the outcome of the state meet would be. "Can't say, anything could happen," Danny said.

Dave agreed, "Anything could happen. I hope we win, but you never know."

"Hopefully we win, but can't say," Mike said. Despite all of the high hopes, the team did not come away with a state championship. They settled for a third place finish.

"We went down and tried our best. There were just two better teams there," Dave said.

"We ran the state meet just like any other meet, but we didn't finish like we wanted to," Jason said.

"All of our attitudes were full of spirit and full of hopes of winning state, but we fell short," said Danny.

Mike Baker, just one of the runners who helped boost Portage, was voted most valuable runner. "(Being MVP) means a lot to me because it shows how much I have improved in four years," Mike said.

Sophomore runner, Marc Timberman, was voted most improved runner. "I feel very good about getting this award. It proves to myself and teammates how much I want to help."

Overall, the team finished with a 10-0 record under Coach Bill Wilke.

Neck and neck! Matt McCulloch, junior, stays even with a runner from downstate. The boys' cross country fell short of a state championship, finishing third.

Awaiting his finishing time and place, gasping for air, in the chute of a post-season cross country meet is senior Pat McDonald. The team went undefeated for the regular season.





Cross Country



Girls' CC seventh in state

The girls' cross country team had a very rewarding season.

Finishing with a placement of seventh in state and having an undefeated dual season feels super, according to sophomore Jackie Hufford. She said, "This season was so exciting. This was the first year I joined cross country, and I definitely did not expect such an unbelievable outcome! I felt so proud to just be a part of the team. I didn't run state, but I know that I shared the joy with the team in such an accomplishment."

Coach Thomas Milteer said, "We were thrilled to death. At the beginning of season, I didn't expect to go undefeated." The team also won sectionals and regionals for the first time, according to Coach Milteer, who was in his third year as the varsity coach. The team also had five runners make All-Conference.

Junior Patty Baker said that this season was a "memory that will stay with me. It was a great season."

These goals were not achieved without

a lot of hard work and many hours of practicing. Coach Milteer said, "The importance of practices can not be over-emphasized. That's where you really lay the ground work for a really successful season." The team practiced every day after school, and many of the girls also put in time individually. Several of the team members also practiced through the summer, and some continued to run individually all year.

Patty said, "Practices are a lot of fun. That's where you get better." Jackie said, "It was hard to look forward to practices every day when you know you could be doing something much more enjoyable. I guess the one thing that keeps me coming back every day is the satisfaction I get when I finish running a really hard practice."

During practices the team ran through Portage and Savannah Heights. The team used the Woodland Park course for home meets, and many members ran it individually for practice or just for fun.

Coach Milteer said that it's "one of the best courses around."

Jackie said, "I like the course a lot. I suppose being so familiar with it helps ease the nervousness before a home race. It's challenging because of the hills and rough ground in the woods." Patty also said that she liked running the course, but wished that the team didn't have to run it twice.

Coach Milteer said that although the team was disappointed with finishing seventh in state, the girls didn't let that ruin their season. Jackie said, "As a team, we achieved what we wanted and the goal we set at the beginning of the season (to be in the top 10 at state). Although this goal changed as we kept winning, we were very happy to have had an undefeated season."

The team's goal changed from a top 10 finishing to wanting at least fifth place, and though this goal wasn't achieved, the team still had one of its best seasons.



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Girls' Cross Country

5-0	
Crown Point	Won
Gavit Invite	1st
Rebel Invite	1st
Merrillville	Won
Renn. Central Invite	1st
LaPorte	Won
New Prairie Invite	1st
Rogers/Chesterton	Won
Valpo/Hobart	Won
Conference	1st
Highland	Won
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	1st
State	7th

Girls' Cross Country — Front Row: Peggy Bradbury, Suzanne Bumbaes, Dara Berger, Kerri Swerdon, Michelle Gibson. Row 2: Melissa Welther, Stacy Ball, Patty Baker, Christy Wilson, Kristy Nabhan. Back Row: Coach Tom Milteer, Jennifer Hufford, Kristy McCulloch, Beth Brechner, Jackie Hufford, Jeanie Smenyak.

Senior Melissa Welther and junior Patty Baker were named MVP's. Melissa has been running since 10th grade, while Patty has been running since 6th. Melissa was also the mental attitude award winner, and Patty was named Duneland Athletic Conference MVP.





Freshman Christy Wilson runs the Woodland Park course, which was used as Portage's home course.

Running against LaPorte is freshman Michelle Gibson. The team won the dual meet at Woodland Park.



Leading the race is senior Melissa Welther, followed closely by junior Patty Baker. Girls' cross country finished seventh in state.

Out in front are junior Peggy Bradbury and senior Kerri Swerdon. Cross country had an undefeated season.



Football



Finally a winning season

Improving from a losing record is not easy to do. But the varsity football team did it and improved from a 1-8 record in 1986-87 to 5-3.

"It's not easy to overcome a losing season; but we did it, and we're pretty proud of it, too," senior Bill Allison said. This team had come out every game in hopes of bringing home a Big Red victory. In five out of the nine games, it did.

"That may not seem like an impressive record, but it sure is better than repeating with only one win," said Lance Suggs, senior. It didn't seem too impressive, but it was. Winning more than half of the games and finishing over .500 was impressive to a lot of people, he added.

"It felt a lot better being successful. It's hard to come off of a 1-8 record.

People didn't think we could do any better," said Brent Kingery, junior. "The coach ran the same offenses. We did pass a little more often, though," he added.

The attitude of the players might have been a large factor. "Everyone's attitude was different this year. We didn't want the same thing (bad season) to happen. Players were more dedicated," said Jeff Smith, senior.

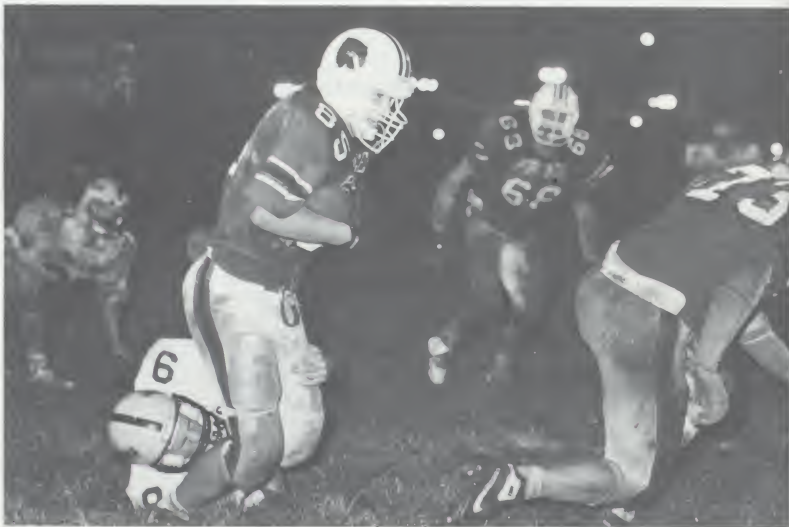
A key factor in the winning season was probably the way the players improved. "We all worked hard and got along well together," said Brent.

"Some players lifted weights, and others did more running and conditioning to improve," Jeff added. There was less goofing off in practices which also helped, he added.

Some players stood out among the others. Jeff was voted MVP, and Steve Jahoda, senior, was voted Mr. Football at Homecoming. Seniors Mike Schuler and Jeff Smith and juniors Darren Warne and Eric Jones were voted to the All-Conference Football team.

Coach Les Klein said, "Our goal is to be the best there is. Once you have won a state championship, everything else short of that is just doesn't feel right."

Struggling to get away from a Trojan tackle is senior Bill Allison. Portage beat the Trojans, 22-0, in the Homecoming game.





Making the outlet pass to senior full-back Jeff Smith is junior quarterback Brent Kingery. Kingery led the Indians to a win over the Vikings.

Placing the football for the extra point attempt against the Valparaiso Vikings, senior Aaron Jarvis holds for the kicker, junior Jason Petrovich.



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Varsity Football

5-3

Highland	Won
LaPorte	Lost
Merrillville	Lost
Lake Central	Won
M. C. Rogers	Won
Hobart	Lost
Valparaiso	Won
Chesterton	Won
Sectionals: LaPorte	Lost

Varsity Football — Front Row: Tony Giganti, Dean Tavernier, Joe Allen, Dave Jennings, Bruno Wincek, Jaime Veler, Dennis Weeks, Larry Lynn, Jim Utley, Jim Shrivinski. Row 2: Darren Warner, Lance Suggs, Chuck Barney, George Hutman, Joe Garavalia, Mike Spicer, Carl McWhitter, Santana Sosa, Steve Jahoda, Ron Wilkins, Bill Allison, Joe Hall. Row 3: Greg Meyer, Steve Guszik, Kevin Matti, Chuck Nordsyke, Joe Croell, Aaron Jarvis, Joe Serrano, Brad Presley, Brent Kangery, Greg Bonwell, Paul English, Jim Stewart. Row 4: Coach Les Klein, Trainer Robert Kerns, Coach Tom Mikalovic, Mike Schuler, Shawn Jones, John Parks, Eric Jones, Marc Peroni, Kyle Stephens, Don Yates, Coach Craig Bueza, Coach Terry Miller, Coach David Matti. Back Row: Jeff Smith, Jeff Snuffer, Bryan West, Joey Gonzalez, Jim Kilgore, Otto Bounds, Kirk Banker, Tony Sebben, Bill Dzhino, Larry Dickerson, Jason Petrovich, Pete Andrich, Roman Mastowski.

Varsity football's MVP for the 1987 season was senior Jeff Smith.



Football



Work worth winning results

Putting time and effort into a sport could be very exhausting, but could also be very rewarding. The freshman team ended its season with a 6-2 record, while JV had a 4-4 record.

Although playing without as much fan support as the varsity football team, most of the players didn't mind the lack of fans. Sophomore Jeff Biggs said that he didn't mind that more people supported the varsity team because "you've got to work hard to be able to dress for varsity."

Freshman Jim Nelson agreed that the team needed more fan support, "but we were strong, anyway." Jim also said the players had good defense and were pushed to improve by their coaches.

Freshman Coach Gilbert Hamilton said that the goal of the team was to improve and to win every game. Coach

Hamilton said, "Even if you win them all, there is always room for improvement. We improved fundamentally throughout the season. That is basically the main reason why we finished the way we did."

In his eighth year of coaching, Coach Hamilton said that to him, fun is still one of the main aspects of coaching. He said, "When coaching football becomes a job, then I am going to quit. I coach for the fun of it."

The team practiced every day after school from about 3 until about 5:30 or 6. Jeff said that the practices were tough, but that they varied a lot.

Freshman Adam Jaworski said that football was a lot of hard work, but the work was worth all of the fun and a winning season. Sophomore Bruno Winicki said, "I had a lot of fun, and the

support that the football players received really helped the team."

Adam said that the effort was worth it "because we worked hard and I feel we reached our goals."

The players had many favorite parts of the season. Jeff said that, to him, the best part of football was "when we all get together as a team. There isn't really one best part if you like the sport."

Mike Hutka, freshman, said that the team had to work hard. "It was worth it because we had a winning season. The coaches just wanted us to play the best that we could", he said.

Tackling a Chesterton player at the Valpo Jamboree is freshman George Mamounas. The freshman team ended its season with a 6-2 record.



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JV Football 4-4

Chesterton	Lost
LaPorte	Won
Merrillville	Lost
Lake Central	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
Hobart	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost
Bishop Noll	Won

JV Football — Front Row: Manager Rick Leyba, Steve Bodnar, Joe Allen, Salvador Zamarron, Jeff Biggs, Santana Sosa, Jamie Cole, Herminio Santana, Bruno Winicki, Diego Lehocsky, Larry Lynn. Row 2: Troy Mroz, Ric Sherrard, Derek Wilkins, Chuck Barney, Dave Jennings, Rex English, George Hutman, Wally Derisfield, Ken Barker, Drake Overturf. Row 3: Jeff McDowell, Joe Serrano, Kevin Mattox, Bryan West, Bill Dishno, Don Yates, Tom Karacsony, Tony Gigenti, Jason Petrovich, Chris Bishop, Brad Pressley. Back Row: Coach Craig Buzza, Coach Terry Miller, Joey Gonzales, Dwayne Price, Steve Guzik, Don Richey, Marc Pieroni, Scott Ewing, James Kilgore, Kirk Banker, Jeff Snuffer, Coach Robert Mattix.





Completing a pass at the Michigan City Elston game is freshman Steve Jovanovic. The team won the game, 30-0.

Running past Merrillville JV players is sophomore Kevin Mattix. The JV team had a 4-4 record.



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Freshman Football 6-2

Harrison	Won
LaPorte	Won
Pierce	Won
Elston	Won
Rogers	Lost
Hobart	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
Chesterton	Won

Peek, Joe Wozniak, Brian Bowman, Ben Rodgers, Jeff Thomas, Deother Cook.

Freshman Football — Front Row: Jim Nelson, John Hall, Mark Click, Mitch McWhirter, Robert Russell, Eddie Cowger, Jason Robertson, Adam Jaworski, Jason Maxwell, Mike Malaski, Chris Shoppa, David Urchick, Bryan Read, Mark Powell, Chris Robbins. Row 2: Shelaine Kniola, Mark Broda, Shannon Goins, Joe Rich, Dan Miley, Tom Duff, Tony DeLeon, Kevin Batzman, Joe Warren, Mike Alaniz, Darryl Locasto, Bernie Recio, Danny Dishno, Rob R. Rodriguez, Joe Rodriguez, Dale Pierce, Dave Messer, Kelly Lanzinski, Maureen Nairn. Row 3: Coach Gilbert Hamilton, Dave Ellman, Aaron Buschman, Rick Yudi, Christopher Mathews, Joe Falatic, James Kobiakka, Jon Lyon, Joe Coons, Donovan DeGaetano, Chris Smith, Thad Hadley, Luke Fisher, Doug Kovell, Jim Richards, Joe Young, Coach Larry Tharp, Coach Jon Soliday. Back Row: William Price, Joe Crawford, Mike Hutka, Jason Oldham, George Mamounas, Peter Guadinas, Steve Nemeth, Aaron Pendleton, Glen Brunker, Mike Francesconi, Steve Jovanovic, Hal Kilgore, Dennis Bailey, Roger



Tennis



Tennis victories dominate

"We gave everything we had; we tried," said Mr. Rich Mason, boys' varsity tennis coach. "Our season went very well. I am very proud of the boys. We had a very good season."

As a team, varsity players posted a 12-4 record. Two of their losses went to LaPorte, including their final game of the season in sectionals. The loss to LaPorte in sectionals affected "them very little. Can't complain when you know you gave 100 per cent effort," said Coach Mason.

He also said that the team was not happy with the loss when members knew they tried their hardest. Coach Mason said that the team didn't come out as aggressively as they had in the previous match. "LaPorte is tough, but we would have beat them. We played the final match a little too tentatively. We didn't

come out playing as aggressive."

Josh Bettis, junior, and Jason Reese, sophomore, paired up to be the No. 1 doubles team. "I don't think I really dreaded playing any team for their tennis talent, but I didn't like playing LaPorte. They were very cocky and rude to other teams when they played at home (LaPorte)," said Josh. He said there was one main low point, "not winning sectionals." He said the high points of the season were "knowing that most all the varsity players will be back next year. Also, everyone had a good attitude."

Coach Mason agreed with Josh. "We have quite a few returning lettermen, which will benefit next year's team. We had a hard working group; everyone was concerned about each other. Cary McKay was a responsible player. He has to be one of the best team captains I have ever

had."

Coach Mason also commented on Mark Mario's performance. "He helped the team a lot." Mark went undefeated in singles play. Because of their contributions to the team, Cary and Mark were named co-MVP's for the varsity team.

Coach Mason commented on how the team improved. "We were basically good last year. They played as hard as they could. A couple of players practiced together in the summer which benefitted the team."

Coach Mason commented on the overall season for the varsity tennis team. "In all, we really played tremendously, but once in awhile we didn't play as well."

During a boys' tennis home match, sophomore Glenn Brechner smashes the ball over the net.



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Boys' Tennis 12-4

Elston	Won
Highland	Lost
LaF. Jefferson	Won
W. Lafayette	Lost
Crown Point	Won
Valparaiso	Won
Bishop Noll	Won
Chesterton	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
LaPorte	Lost
Merrillville	Won
Hobart	Won
Rochester	Won
Sectional Elston	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
LaPorte	Lost
JV record	8-4

Varsity Tennis — Front Row: manager Sanna Rains, Bob Hinkle, Mark Mario, Cary McKay, Rick Hamman, Jason Reese. Back Row: John Migoski, Tom Olson, Josh Bettis, Mark Newman, Doug Beddome, Glen Brechner, Dan Randolph.

Senior Cary McKay and junior Mark Mario were named tennis co-MVP's by Coach Rich Mason. They were No. 1 and No. 2, respectively.





Stretching to return a serve is junior Mark Mario. Mark was the No. 2 singles player this year.

Reaching for the backhand return is sophomore Doug Beddome. He played singles for the JV team during one of its home matches.

Josh Bettis, junior, awaits the serve of partner, sophomore Jason Reese. Josh and Jason were the No. 1 doubles team.



JV Tennis — Front Row: Dan Hess, Curtis Hamilton, Scott Vuko, Brian Terwilliger, Robb McClarnon. Row 2: Dan Olson, Chris Lambersie, Scott Kirtland, Eric Pow-

ers. Back Row: Greg Rochefort, John Mathis, George Stanasic, Mr. Stan Randolph, Tony Levenda, David Foster.

MVP junior Tina Rodriguez sets the ball for junior Lori Propsom for a kill.

Bumping the ball, freshman Jennifer York passes the ball, while freshman Carrie Gagna stands by.



JV Volleyball — Front Row: Sharon Godby, Janet Hall, Wendy Stanley, Carrie Ellenwood, Debbie Kaiser, Tracy Kunstek. Back Row: Stacy McKay, Sandy Brickley, Tracy Schultz, Tami Philpott, Marcy Horvath, Missy Kelley, Coach Scott Graber. JV Record: 12-7



Freshman Volleyball — Front Row: Jany Walker, Melissa DeVinney, Jennifer Kiest, Tracy Valetich, Renae Zazado. Row 2: Amy Simola, Paula McWhirter, Julianne Helton, Carrie Gagna, Tami Tharp, Glenda Cox. Back Row: Mrs. Jackie Brickley, Debbie Bliss, Joy Reber, Jennifer York, Karen Flach, Samantha Essig, Casey Clem. Freshman Record: A-team 3-10; B-team 3-5.



Freshman Janet Hall bumps the ball, as sophomores Missy Kelley and Sandy Brickley anticipate the return.



Volleyball



Rough year for young team

Ever since May and all through the summer, one could find the volleyball candidates working in the weight room or playing at open volleyball. When August came around, the girls had tryouts, Monday through Thursday for six hours a day. Thursday at 4, the final cuts were made and the team was chosen.

The varsity consisted of eight juniors and only one senior. Coach Cheryl Kovalow commented that she picked a young team because the younger players were as good or better than the older players. For having a young team and having only two returning lettermen, Tina Ro-

driguez, junior, and Chris Reese, senior the season went rough.

Kovalow added that even though their season wasn't that good, the girls played hard and worked together. She also noticed a great improvement in the team. Junior Shelley Warren said, "We all got along as a team because we are all friends, and there weren't any conflicts between us."

As sectionals approached the girls felt very confident, even though their record wasn't very good during the regular season. The girls won the first sectional game, but lost to Merrillville in the semi-

finals.

All sophomores and one freshman were chosen for the junior varsity team. Freshman Janet Hall commented that she was honored to be chosen for JV and that the upperclassmen made her feel accepted into the team.

The freshman even made it through the brutal tryouts, and 15 girls made the team. Despite their losing record, Mrs. Jackie Brickley commented, "The team played hard and tough. Their losses were only by a few points."



Preparing for the serve, junior Monica Kazmier hopes for an ace against a varsity opponent.



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Volleyball 4-17

Crown Point	Lost
Marquette	Won
Wheeler/Wash Twp	Lost
Elston	Lost
LaPorte	Lost
Lake Central	Lost
Morton	Won
Merrillville	Lost
Highland	Lost
Kankakee Valley	Lost
Lowell	Lost
Lake Station	Lost
Chesterton	Lost
Rogers	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost
Bishop Noll	Lost
Hobart	Lost
Gavit	Won
Sectionals: River Forest	Won
Sectionals: Merrillville	Lost

Volleyball — Front Row: Monica Kazmier, Melissa Terts, Susan Winandy. Row 2: Tina Rodriguez, Chris Reese. Back Row: Shelley Warren, April Vestal, Coach Cheryl Kovalow, Jennifer Wilson, Lori Propsom.

Junior co-captain Tina Rodriguez was named most valuable player by her teammates.



Swimming



Bonding helps both teams

For some students, having to be at school at 5:30 in the morning sounds like a nightmare, but for the swim team, it was just an ordinary day.

The teams practiced every morning from 5:30 to 7, lifting weights for one hour a morning, three times a week and swimming or diving the rest of the time. They also practiced every day after school from 3 to 5:30, and on Saturday mornings or afternoons.

All of their hard work paid off, though. The boys' team finished with a 11-2 record, while the girls ended their season with a 6-6 record.

The girls placed seventh in sectionals

and fifth in conference. They also competed in two events at state. Rachael Karabin placed 24th in the 100-yard breaststroke, and the 400-yard freestyle relay of Peggy Johnson, Rachel Karabin, Laura Blaszkiewicz, and Heather Chaykowski also placed 24th.

The boys also placed second in sectionals and second at conference. They competed in five state events. The 200-yard medley relay of Jason Cain, David Pieroni, Jeff Miller, and Jamie Maples placed 22nd, Tim Syperek placed 22nd in the 200-yard freestyle, and 9th in the 500-yard freestyle. Noel Cullen placed 18th, also in the 500. Jason Cain placed

31st in the 100-yard backstroke, and the 400-yard freestyle relay of Jason Cain, Greg Coules, David Pieroni, and Tim Syperek placed 13th.

In addition to the time the swimmers put into their own seasons, many also worked as timers for the other team and made posters for meets. All of the time that the two teams spent together helped the morale of the swimmers. Senior Noel Cullen said that they help each other "get psyched up".

Swimming backstroke at the LaPorte meet is sophomore Chris Slamkowski. The girls' swim team finished its season with a 6-6 record.



Girls' Swimming — Front Row: Jeannie St. Myers, Tracy Felinski, Heather Chaykowski, Dawn Olivarez, Tiffany Shuster, Salena Robertson, manager Shellagh McClarnon. Row 2: Laura Lazear, Patricia Coker, Chris Slamkowski, Shannan

Welche, Jessica Rogers, Mayra Diaz, Michelle Cox, Cassie Couger. Row 3: Jennifer Hammonds, Nicole Sarich, Toni Santucci, Jennie Mazurek, Missy Utterback, Rachael Karabin, Misty Davenport, Donna Kotulock. Row 4: Coach Rob Parks, Michele Miller, Angie Teague, Tina Sulich, Charlotte Watson, Elizabeth Robbins, Tanya Kresno, Becky Allison, manager Lisa Falls. Back Row: Coach Mike Lipinski, Teresa Byers, Laura Blaszkiewicz, Nancy Prigge, Peggy Johnson, Janell Martin, Connie McKeown, manager Jason Cain.

S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Girls' Swimming 6-6

Rogers	Won
Hobart	Lost
Crown Point	Lost
Chesterton	Lost
Lowell	Won
Highland	Lost
Noll	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
Hammond High	Won
Merrillville	Won
Conference	5th
LaPorte	Lost
Rensselaer Central	Won
Sectional	7th

Senior Becky Allison was the girls' swim team Mental Attitude Award winner. Becky was a four-year swimmer and was team co-captain.





Completing a one-somersault dive is sophomore Eric Jetmund. The diving coach was Rob Parks, an '86 Portage graduate and state diving finalist.

Swimming the 100-yard butterfly is junior Jason Cain. Jason won sectionals in the 100-yard backstroke, breaking the school record.



Boys' Swimming — Front Row: Larry Smith, Nick Crews, Jim Waechter, Todd Mueller, Jeff Servaty, Kevin Rippel, Bob Childers, Rick Fee, Mike Wilder, Jim Rusnak, Scott Logsdon. Row 2: Scott Dillin, Phil Grenchik, Steve Miller, David Pieroni, Jerry Watson, Jeff McCammon, Noel

Cullen, Bob Jarabek, Josh Rusboldt, Jon Fiebelkorn, Todd Orenick. Back Row: Jeff Miller, Jason Cain, Craig Miller, Kirt Witham, Tim Syperek, Jamie Maples, Greg Coules, Jim Sanders, Dan Randolph, Marc England.

S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Boys' Swimming 11-2

Wirt	Won
LaPorte	Won
Merrillville	Won
Munster Relays	2nd
Hobart	Won
Munster	Lost
Highland	Won
Rogers	Won
Cavit	Won
Chesterton	Won
Lowell	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
Ren. Central	Won
Crown Point	Won
Sectionals	2nd

Seniors David Pieroni and Tim Syperek were named Most Valuable Swimmers and junior Josh Rusboldt was awarded Most Valuable Diver. David and Tim are both seniors and four-year letterwinners. Josh is a first-year diver.



Basketball



Stars show best success

"Woosh! Another three-point shot by David Wayne!"

That exclamation was one of the most frequent calls heard during a varsity basketball game. With a scoring average of 23 points a game, the best three-point shooting in the Duneland Conference, and practically a perfect record at the free-throw line, senior David Wayne led the team to the most successful season ever.

David wasn't alone at creating a winning season. The entire team worked together and had many players with different strong points. While David led the team in points, steals and assists, he couldn't be successful without a lot of help from the team.

Junior Eric Jones was David's best inside man. "To have a good outside shooter, you need somebody to keep them honest inside and Eric's done a great job," commented Coach Greg Fisher.

This year brought many changes to the team, including the new coach. "He's one of the best coaches, if not the best of the system. You can't be around him without working hard," said senior Kyle Stephens. Changes in the way practices were run and changes in attitudes among the players were only two examples of ways the team improved.

Coaches from opposing teams had very few bad things to say about the Indians. Merrillville coach Jim East said, "He (David) definitely proved he's a

player. For what he means to his team, I'd vote him (Duneland Athletic Conference) MVP. With his leadership and shooting, he has made Portage a real contender."

Contender wasn't the word. After earning their first Duneland Conference title, the Indians entered sectionals with a nine-game winning streak. They went on to earn the sectional title, beating Valparaiso in the championship. One week later their streak continued by taking the regional championship from LaPorte. Their season came to an end when they lost, 60-57, in the final seconds of the first game at the Fort Wayne Semi-State against Norwell.

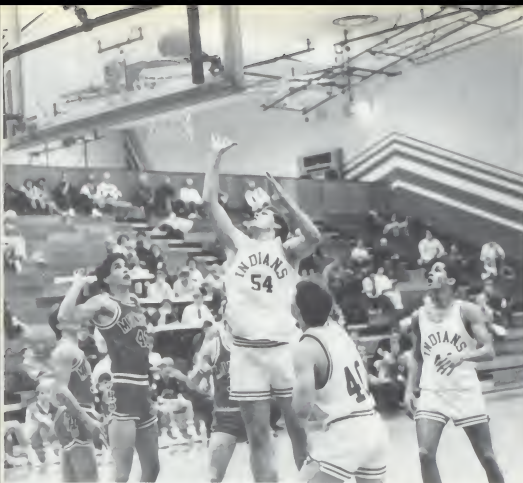
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During a home game against Calumet, junior Brent Kingery prepares for a pass to his junior teammate Darren Warne.

Lining up the shot for one of his famous three pointers is senior David Wayne. David led all Northwest Indiana in three point shots and was also selected to play for the Northwest Indiana All-Stars.





In a non-conference game against Munster, junior Eric Jones goes for a jump shot.

Getting ready to drive toward the basket, Darren Warne, junior, sneaks past a Lake Station opponent.



Looking to make a pass, senior Kyle Stephens searches for an open teammate.



S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Boys' Varsity Basketball 20-6

Lowell	Lost
M.C. Elston	Won
Calumet	Won
Kankakee Valley	Lost
Lake Station	Won
Andean	Won
Bishop Noll	Lost
Munster	Won
Hammond High	Lost
Hammond Morton	Won
Hobart	Lost
LaPorte	Won
Highland	Won
Chesterton	Won
Valparaiso	Won
Merrillville	Won
Hammond Clark	Won
M. C. Rogers	Won
Lake Central	Won
Crown Point	Won
Sectionals	Won
Regionals	Won
Semi-State	Lost

Boys' Varsity Basketball — Front Row: Managers Ken Ostrander, Eric Goetschel, Shannon Woodside, Mike P. Gonzalez, Paul Ostrander. Row 2: David Wayne, Brent Kingery, Phil Mischeo, Tony Sebben, Kevin Mattis, Doyle Crowe. Back Row: Asst. Coach John Hutton, Head Coach Greg Fisher, Jason Trezak, Kyle Stephens, John Homan, Eric Jones, Greg Meyne, Darren Warne, Asst. Coach Keith Hipkind.

The Sportsmanship Award was presented to point guard senior David Wayne.

As Stacy Sheriff, junior, looks on, Coach Renee Turpa takes time out to instruct her players on the proper shooting technique during an after school practice.

In the loss to Merrillville, junior Stacy Sheriff takes the ball to the hoop as sophomore Tracey Schultz sets up for the rebound.



Varsity Girls' Basketball — Front Row: Sarah Matusiak, Linda Tipton, Wendy Stanley, Kerry Springman. Row 2: Tammy Stambaugh, Tina Rodriguez, Stacy Sheriff, Tracey Schultz. Back Row: Mgr. Philip Matusiak, mgr. Terry Carren, Beth Brechner, Amy Levenda, Mrs. Renee Turpa.

Senior Kerry Springman and junior Stacy Sheriff were named as girls' basketball co-MVPs.

S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Girls' Basketball 19-4

Griffith	Won
Gavit	Lost
Crown Point	Won
Chesterton	Won
Highland	Won
Merrillville	Lost
River Forest	Won
Goshen Tourney	1st
Twin Lakes Tourney	1st
Morton	Won
Hobart	Won
Lake Station	Won
Valparaiso	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
Lake Central	Won
LaPorte	Lost
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	2nd





Basketball



Teamwork helps cagers win

Twenty-two seconds left in the semi-final game of the girls' basketball sectional; Valpo 44, Portage 42. Sophomore Tracey Schultz shoots from underneath the basket. It's good! The score is 44-44. A Valparaiso guard dribbles down court, shoots and ... misses.

OVERTIME: after an exchange of baskets, the score stands at 46 each. Only four seconds left. Senior Kerry Springman gets the ball under the basket. Three ... she puts it up ... two ... it rolls around the rim ... one ... and it rolls off as the buzzer sounds.

DOUBLE OVERTIME: at 2:38 sophomore Wendy Stanley pulls up and sinks a 15-footer. Kerry adds two free throws at 1:11. A Valpo forward adds a point at 0:42 to make it a three-point Indian lead. In the remaining seconds, Valpo players shoot a three-point shot, miss, grab the

rebound, shoot another three-pointer, miss, rebound again and shoot a final three-point shot just before the buzzer, but it, too, misses and the game ends with a score Portage 50; Valparaiso 47.

It was the first time since 1981 that Portage would appear in the finals of the girls' sectionals, and the first time since 1977 that Portage had beaten Valpo twice in one season. The Indians ousted Michigan City Elston in the semi-finals at regionals but lost, 60-51, to North Judson in the finals.

Coach Renee Turpa said, "For the longest time we wanted to win sectionals, but we didn't know how." She credited teamwork for the season's success. "They melted together as a team. They wanted to win as a team ... Other teams couldn't just guard one person and beat us," she said.

Kerry agreed that teamwork was a big factor. "We worked as a team. We didn't have just a one-person effort. It had to be all of us, and that's the way we played."

Junior Tina Rodriguez also stressed team unity. "We were more or less like a big family. We all got along. We were like sisters."

"We were all good friends," added senior Amy Levenda. "If someone was down, we picked them up. Mrs. Turpa really helped us a lot."

In her maiden year as varsity coach, Mrs. Turpa not only led the team to the regional championship game, but she was also chosen as **Post-Tribune's** Coach of the Year. "I was excited and flattered," she said. "I didn't even expect it."

Junior Stacy Sheriff and Kerry won more praise for the team. Aside from being picked as co-MVPs, Stacy was chosen as the first team all-area center by the **Post-Tribune**, and Kerry made special mention. Sophomore Tammy Stambaugh made honorable mention.

With a record of 19-4, the varsity team ended the season with more wins than any previous year.

In front of the home crowd in the sectional semi-final win over Valpo, sophomore Wendy Stanley shoots the ball.



Just outside the three-point line, senior Kerry Springman checks the court for an open player.



As her name is announced at the Dec. 12 game, senior Amy Levenda enters the court.

The team dressed for war in an effort to prepare for the DAC game versus Hobart.

Looking to pass the ball, sophomore Tammy Stambaugh stands in front of the official.



Basketball



Freshman cagers play JV

Every year after the freshman basketball season is over, a few freshman cagers are selected to play the last part of the season on the JV basketball team.

This year, three freshman got the chance to play at the JV level. The three were Bryan Arthur, Jason Robertson and Rick Yudi.

Comparing the styles and techniques between the freshman and JV basketball teams, Jason said, "JV was a lot harder playing with the upperclassmen. There was better competition."

Rick said, "Playing JV was a good experience. It helped a lot for next year. It was tougher and more nerve-racking playing on Friday nights."

Bryan said, "Playing JV was an exciting experience, but I was not prepared for the challenges playing on the JV level."

Sophomore John Homan, when asked about having freshmen on the JV team, said, "There is nothing wrong with having them on. I was a freshman on JV. It gives them more experience for the next year."

JV practices in comparison to freshman practices had a lot of differences. JV practices consisted of station drills, scrimmages and full court practices games vs. the varsity team. Freshman practices consisted of stretches, ball handling, drills and scrimmages. Bryan said, "There were more drills in freshman practices, and you ran a lot more."

Bryan said the coaches for both teams were exceptionally good. Mr. Craig Buzza's freshman team ended its season with a 10-7 record. In the Portage Tourney, the freshman cagers beat Chesterton and then lost to the tourney champi-

ons LaPorte. Bryan said, "The freshman coach was more strict but more interested. I feel he was the best coach I have ever had. He worked us and pushed us hard and got on your case when he did not like what he saw."

Mr. John Hutton's JV team ended its season with a 10-10 record. Bryan said, "The JV coach was serious and always did what he thought was right and what was best for the team."

Ripping the rebound is sophomore Jay Dawson during a JV home victory over Lake Station.



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Freshman Boys' Basketball

10-6	Won
Boone Grove	Won
River Forest	Won
Rogers	Lost
Hobart	Won
Harrison	Won
Lowell	Won
Highland	Lost
Lake Central	Won
LaPorte	Lost
Elston	Lost
Noll	Lost
Chesterton	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
Pierce	Lost
Morion	Won
Lake Station	Won
Portage Tourney	
Chesterton	Won
LaPorte	Lost

Freshman Boys' Basketball — Front Row: Glen Brunner, John Hall, Steve Jovanovic, Aaron Pendleton, Jason Robertson, Joe Wozniak, Kurt Terry, Roger Peek. Back Row: Coach Craig Buzza, Darryl Locasto, Matt Wittczak, Joe Falatic, Rick Yudi, Luke Fisher, Bryan Arthur, Mike Francesconi, Coach Robert Mattix.

Three freshman cagers were selected to play part of the season on the JV team. The three were Bryan Arthur, Jason Robertson and Rick Yudi.





Getting the rebound is freshman Kurt Terry at the freshman basketball game at home against Highland.

As the starters are announced, junior Phil Misecko is greeted by sophomores John Homan and Glen Brechner and junior Jason Trezak.



Giving a little advice to his team is freshman basketball Coach Craig Buzza. His team ended with a 10-8 record.



S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Boys' JV Basketball 10-10

Lowell	Won
Elston	Lost
Calumet	Won
Kankakee Valley	Lost
Lake Station	Won
Andean	Lost
Bishop Noll	Won
Munster	Lost
Hammond High	Won
Morton	Won
Hobart	Won
LaPorte	Lost
Highland	Lost
Chesterton	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost
Merrillville	Lost
Clark	Won
Rogers	Lost
Lake Central	Won
Crown Point	Won

JV Basketball — Front Row: Dave Jennings, Glen Brechner, Phil Misecko, Jay Dawson, Jerry Spilinger, Todd Wilson. Back Row: Eric Powers, Shane Wallerke, Doug Beddome, John Homan, Jason Trezak, Jim Kilgore, Coach John Hutton.

Three JV cagers were selected to represent the school as a part of the varsity basketball championship competition. The three were sophomore John Homan and juniors Phil Misecko and Jason Trezak.



Basketball



The 'D' words propel teams

Dedication and determination — those were two of the "D" words used within almost any sports team.

Although the year was shakey, the freshman, as well as JV, girls' basketball teams learned plenty throughout the year, and found that working together was a very important asset in forming a winning team.

"We learned from our mistakes," said Jamie Verboon of the freshman team, "and when we finally got better, the season was over."

The "A" team earned a record of 3-9, and the "B" team ended the season at 2-7. "In the beginning we started off a little sloppy but improved throughout the season," said freshman Jamie Berry. Team players agreed that they had showed improvement over the season, especially with individual skills. "We all improved on our individual skills as the season progressed, and we also learned to work

together as a team," said Jennifer York, freshman. Teaching the importance of a good attitude was also necessary to do well, and freshman coaches Carolann Radivan and Brenda Clark, as well as JV coach Sue Fitch, stressed that necessity throughout the season.

"They (the coaches) taught us how to work together as a team and keep a good attitude whether we won or lost," said freshman Glenda Cox. "We always stuck together whether we won or lost," added Jamie.

The JV team ended its season with a 7-9 record. Although they did not end with a winning record, most of the girls had a positive attitude about the season.

"Our strengths were determination, good attitudes and always showing a lot of hustle," said Daun Bieda, sophomore, and Tracy Sulich, sophomore. "We worked hard at all times. We always gave our best whether it was in preseason

conditioning or a game," added freshman Beth Brechner.

"The thing we had problems with were mental breakdowns among ourselves," said April Vestal, junior. "Those breakdowns caused us to lose a few games by close margins in which we should have won. I would prefer to lose by a lot than to lose by a close margin."

"The biggest let down for me this season was losing the Valparaiso Tournament," said Daun.

The girls worked hard all year and always demonstrated positive attitudes, said Coach Sue Fitch.

"The most important thing I learned this year was to never quit. You should never quit because you can get through anything," said Tracy. She added that she had to work hard to gain something but once the hard work was over and she had gained it, she felt great!



S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Girls' JV Basketball 7-9

Griffith	Won
Cavit	Won
Crown Point	Lost
Chesterton	Lost
Highland	Won
Merrillville	Lost
River Forest	Won
Morton	Won
Hobart	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost
Lake Station	Lost
M.C. Rogers	Won
Valparaiso Tourney	Lost
Lake Central	Lost
LaPorte	Lost

Girls' JV Basketball — Front Row: Marge Escabalzeta, Debbie Kaiser, Dawn Settle, Tracy Kunstek, Tracy Terus. Row 2: Sheena West, Daun Bieda, April Vestal, Dawn Ford, Shelley Warren. Back Row: Lisa Hays, Tracy Sulich, Beth Brechner, Angie Pantell, Jeanie Smenyak, Coach Sue Fitch.





JV player Beth Brechner drives toward the basket in a non-conference game against Highland. Beth was the only freshman who started for the JV team.

Coach Sue Fitch gives advice as well as a pep talk to the players of the JV team during a home game.



Freshman Girls' Basketball — Front Row: Vicky Brown, Faith Wygle, Carrie Chapman, Jessica Rogers, Jamie Verboon, Jenny Westerkamp, Karen Alaniz, Angela Sherbit. Row 2: Christy Wilson, Paula McWhirter, Ramee King, Jamie Berry,

Carrie Gagna, Glenda Cox, Vicky Zills. Back Row: Coach Brenda Clark, Tracy Kunssek, Deanna Walleske, Kelli Mattix, Jennifer York, Angie Cubel, Peggy Johnson, Coach Carolann Radivan.



Concentrating on her field goal attempt, April Vestal, junior, focuses in on the basket.



Gymnastics



Experience helps tumblers

Gymnastics is for the talented few that have the determination and strength to practice long hours. They must also be willing to try new and different routines.

Many team members either started in gymnastics young or were in cheerleading, which went hand in hand with gymnastics.

Sophomore Amy Pollock said, "Gymnastics helps me do my cheerleading routines at the games."

Gymnasts had different answers on what was the hardest equipment for them to perform on.

"I think the beam is the hardest for me to perform on, because it's only four inches wide," said Katie Shurman, freshman.

Sophomore Amy Clapp said that the event that was the hardest for her was the vault because she's scared of it.

Allison Lewis, junior, said, "The bars are the hardest to perform on for me

because you need strength and endurance."

"The uneven bars is the hardest for me to perform on, because you need upper body strength," said freshman Lisa Vogan.

Watching gymnastics on TV or in person encouraged most of the gymnasts to join.

Kelly Nabhan, freshman, said, "I joined because it interested me, and I decided it would be fun."

"I joined gymnastics because it has four different events, and there's a lot of competition," said sophomore Shelly Ardell.

The gymnasts had varied ideas on what it takes to be the best gymnast. "I think it takes hard work and dedication," said Chris Foreman, freshman.

"I think it takes a lot of determination, cooperation, trusting and listening to your coach," said Lisa. Most gymnastics

start young and continue through high school. Katie, named MVP, has been in gymnastics since she was four years old. She placed 5th on the vault at regional.

"I've been in gymnastics for three years and was in it for a few years when I was younger," said Clapp.

Kelly said that she's been in gymnastics for five years.

"This was the best season since I've been coaching," said Mrs. Caren Prow, coach. She also said the gymnasts had a good attitude, and the team was young.

The gymnasts beat some of the best teams in Northwest Indiana. The team beat Crown Point, which they haven't beaten in four years and also won against Valpo, which the gymnastics team hasn't beaten since 1973.

Allison was awarded mental attitude award, Peggy and Cindy Pappas were awarded most improved gymnast and Lynn Alkire was team captain.

S•C•O•R•E•B•O•A•R•D

Gymnastics 7-3

M.C. Elston	Won
LaPorte	Won
Hobart	Won
M.C. Rogers	Lost
Crown Point	Won
Merrillville	Lost
Lowell	Won
Valparaiso	Won
Chesterton	Lost
Highland	Won
Conference	3rd
Sectionals	3rd
JV record	9-1

Gymnastics — Front Row: Erin Lambert, Capt. Lynn Alkire, Katie Shurman, Peggy Bradbury, Allison Lewis, Kathleen Dujovich. Row 2: Kristy Rich, Kyle Swerdon, Lisa Vogan, Kristy McCulloch, Kim Hurst, Shelly Ardell, Chris Foreman. Back Row: Coach Caren Prow, Mgr. Angie Clapp, Cindy Pappas, Amy Pollock, Kelly Nabhan, Amy Clapp, Asst. Coach Kelly Bermes, Asst. Coach Diane Highlands.

Katie Shurman, freshman, was named MVP for gymnastics and has been involved in it since she was 4 years old.





Anticipation grows as junior Allison Lewis grasps for the uneven bars while executing a straddle cut.

Competition rises as freshman Kelly Nabhan prepares herself on the balance beam while performing a scale.



Competition intensifies for sophomore Amy Pollock as she chalks up for competition on the uneven bars.



Gracefully administering a back walkover on the balance beam is freshman Katie Shurman.

While some watch speechless, junior Lynn Alkire performs a flyaway on the uneven bars.



Wrestling



Team accomplishes goals

The wrestling team had a season with many ups and downs. Among the high points of the season were qualifying five wrestlers for semi-state and two for state. The team ended with a 4-2 record, and finished third in the Duneland Conference.

The team had started the season with high hopes, and according to Coach Bruce Sheriff, the only goal the team didn't achieve was winning the Duneland Conference. "I'd say again we far exceeded our expectations," said Coach Sheriff, in his 27th year of coaching.

Two wrestlers, junior Kevin Delgado and senior Doug Draia, qualified for state. Doug also qualified for the state wrestling All-Academic team. Doug said that since it was his last year, he wanted to "make it memorable. The meet was very exciting." He also commented that it was "a great experience."

Delgado said, "The feeling of being at center stage in Market Square Arena is reason enough to want to push yourself all the way to advance to state. It was an

amazing feeling, and I can't wait to get there next year."

Coach Sheriff said, "They represented Portage High School and themselves well. You couldn't ask for anything more."

Coach Sheriff said that the team's work ethics were good.

Junior Kevin Sampson said, "I felt the season was great. We had our ups and downs, but that's expected. At the beginning of the season, we predicted at least a 3-3 record. We also thought that going 4-2 wasn't quite out of our reach."

"I felt both JV and varsity had their moments," said sophomore Eddie Jenkins. Junior Brian Janiga said, "I think that we had a good season, and that in the future we're going to be up there as #1. Hopefully next year, we'll be ranked in the top 20. We had goals this year that we set and accomplished."

Although the team lost '87 graduate Adam Condo, who had placed second in state, they still had a winning record. Sampson said, "This season wasn't like

last year's 6-0 season, but it ranks up there with it. We won some meets when we needed them the most."

Team captain Mark Tuzinski, junior, said, "Team unity was at an all-time high. We obtained all of our goals; therefore, it was a good season."

The team practiced weekdays from 3:50 and on Saturdays from 8-9:30. Eddie said that practices "were long and hard, but that's what you need to have a winning team."

Delgado said, "The team wouldn't win if the practices weren't hard and the coaches didn't push you."

Senior Mitch DeGaetano said that he wrestled because "it's a hell of a sport". Mark said, "It's a way of life". Eddie said that he decided to wrestle because "it was a challenge for me."

Coach Sheriff said, "The kids allowed us to coach, and we allowed them to perform, and that was the reason for their success."



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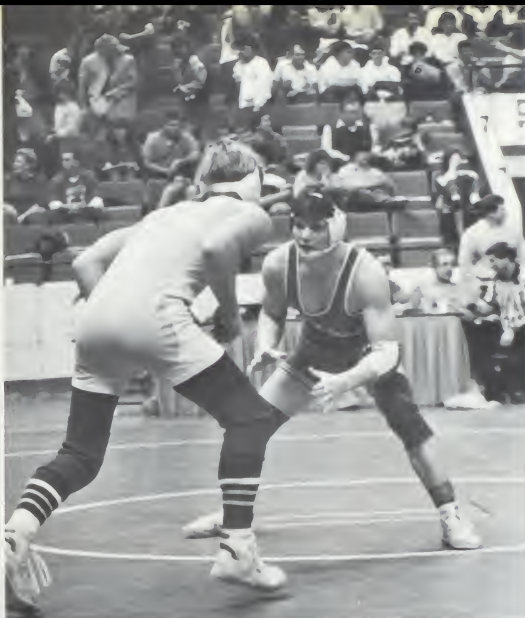
4-2

Hobart	Won
Merrillville	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost
LaPorte	Won
Chesterton	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
Mishawaka	5th
Conference	3rd
Sectional	3rd
Regional	3rd

Wrestling — Front Row: Randy Scott, Gregg Cromer, Kevin Delgado, Mark Tuzinski, Kevin Sampson, Darrell Chandler, Kevin Lockwood, Dave Alaniz, Dan Miley, Robert Russell, David Leyba. Row 2: Shawn Sutherland, Dave Nedoff, Shannon Goins, Tom Oliveraz, Doug Draia, Aaron Medley, Brian Janiga, Mike Spence, Jason Oldham, Don Yates, Donovan DeGaetano. Row 3: Joe Warren, Rubin Munoz, Mickey Gonzalez, Drake Overturn, Mike Alaniz, Mitch DeGaetano, Joe Coons, Joe Allen, Nick Stamate, Hal Kilgore, Coach Larry Tharp. Back Row: Coach Bruce Sheriff, Chris Kupchik, Bob Jacobson, Tony Giretti, Mike Hutka, Bill Dishno, John Mitchell, Ben Rodgers, Dan Calmbacher.

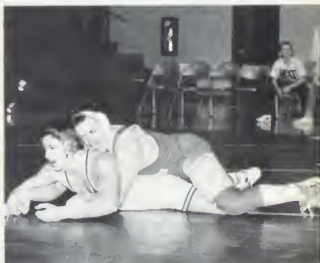
Senior Doug Draia was wrestling MVP. He has been wrestling for six years, and has lettered four times.





Preparing for a takedown at state is senior Doug Draia. Doug made it to the second round at state, then being defeated by Todd Lehman of Evansville. However, Doug was voted to the state wrestling All-Academic team.

A look of intense concentration covers senior Mitch DeGaetano's face as he tries to turn his opponent from Valparaiso. Mitch finished the season with a personal record of 25-7 and qualified for semi-state.



State qualifier Kevin Delgado, junior, is about to begin sparring with his Valpo opponent. Kevin went to state for his first time but lost his deciding match.

Concentrating on his LaPorte opponent is junior Kevin Sampson. The team finished the season with a dual meet record of 4-2 and four first places in tournaments.



Baseball



Two teams win conference

Success was found for the varsity and freshman baseball teams, which won their conference titles. The varsity team shared the title with Hobart with a conference record of 9-3 and an overall record of 18-9-1. The freshman team had a conference record of 9-0 and an overall record of 15-4.

This was the first time in more than 12 years that the varsity team won conference. It was also the first time they won since the conference consisted of seven teams. After that goal was met, their goals were set on a week-to-week basis.

Varsity coach, Tom Levandoski, when asked about his feelings on winning the conference title, said, "Our team was very proud. The conference was 12 hard

games of hard competition."

According to Levandoski, the reasons for their success was that the team had a good attitude and worked together. When they were down, they never quit and never gave up hope.

The freshman team had two goals at the beginning of the year and both were met. One, they wanted only five losses overall, and they had only four. Second was to win the Portage frosh tourney, which they accomplished, too. They overcame the three challengers, Merrillville Harrison, Merrillville Pierce and Chesterton.

Freshman Steve Jovanovic said, "It felt great (to win the conference undefeated). If we beat our conference players, we

could go all the way in our senior year."

According to Steve and freshman David Hill, their strong points were working together, hitting and winning games. Their weak point was picking up signals from Coach Robert Parker.

David said, "I played because it prepared me for my future on the high school teams. The seasons went good. We had good, hard practices. Sometimes we played tee-ball during practice, which was fun."

The JV team fell short of winning conference, even though it had an overall record of 16-8. According to statistics, their weak point was fielding. Hitting, pitching and base running were their strongest points.



JV Baseball — Front Row: Joe Allen, Mike Helton, Mike Bauzwell, Marty Robinson, Jerry Splitgerber, Bruno Winicky. Back

Row: Eric Goetschel, John Johns, Jason Dawson, Eric Powers, Jim Kilgore, Scott Kirtland, Coach Craig Buzza.



Freshman Baseball — Front Row: John Hall, David Hill, Mike Gapinski, Mike Alanis, Dennis Settle, Shawn Sutherland. Row 2: Sean Corey, Marc Lloyd, Hal Kil-

gore, Steve Jovanovic, Glen Brunker, Rick Cruz. Back Row: Coach Robert Parker, William Price, Mike Francesconi, Bryan Arthur, Keith Markert, Joe Crawford.



On the pitch, freshman John Hall makes an attempt to steal second base during a freshman home game.

And there's the pitch! Senior Aaron Jarvis prepares to throw a curveball during a varsity home game at Woodland Park.

In the air goes sophomore Joe Allen to make a jumping catch during warm-ups before a junior varsity home game.



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Varsity Baseball 19-10-1

Hammond High	Won
Gary Roosevelt	Tie
Lake Station	Won
Elkhart Central	Lost
Munster	Won
Hobart	Lost/Won
Lake Central	Lost
Hammond Noll	Lost/Lost
LaPorte	Won/Won
M.C. Rogers	Lost/Won
Kankakee Valley	Won
Valparaiso	Won/Lost
Crown Point	
Classic	Won/Lost
Merrillville	Won/Won
Chesterton	Won/Won
Horace Mann	Won
Gary Wirt	Won
Culver Military	
Academy	Won
Highland	Lost
Gary West	Won
Crown Point	Won
Sectionals	Lost
JV record	16-8
Freshman record	15-4

Varsity Baseball — Front Row: Mike Spicer, Jeff Smith, Mike Hall, Mike Thompson, Brad Martin, John Migoski, Jim Aydelotte. Row 2: Greg Meyne, Tom Shurman, Roman Miestowski, Aaron Jarvis, Doyle Crowe, David Pieroni. Back Row: Coach Tom Levandoski, Jim Wilkie, Jason Trezak, Larry Blake, David Wayne, Dan Randolph, Bob Avery (mgr).

Roman Miestowski was chosen as varsity baseball outstanding player. Dave Pieroni was batting champion, while Jim Wilkie was ace pitcher.



Golf



Personal goals are set

Girls' golf finished its season at 7-4. The team consisted of three sophomores, five juniors and only one senior. The team was coached by Mr. Dale Fadely.

"I think our season went real well. It was a lot of fun. I feel I did good," said junior Jackie Coffee. Junior Tracy Terus said the season started slow but got better. Sophomore Christy Cochran said, "I thought the season went good. It was my first year, so it was really a new experience for me."

Team members set goals and tried to accomplish these goals by season's end. "My goal was simply to make improvements," said Tracy. Others had more specific goals. Senior Roberta McCausland said, "I had a personal goal to shoot 39. I didn't meet that goal, but I was still happy."

The team practices were held at Robbinhurst Golf Course. The team had practice Monday through Friday. Week-end practices were optional.

The team had many strong points. Junior Laura Sulich said, "I think our good points were our drives and our putts." Other strong points cited were confidence, friendship and team spirit. "One of our strong points was Roberta. She has a great personality and she lifted us up and gave us confidence," said Jackie.

Along with good points, there were a few points on which to improve. "I think one of our weaker points was that we needed to work on knowing the different courses," said Roberta. "I think we needed to work more on our chipping and close shots," said Laura.

Roberta and Sarah Elderkin made it to All-Conference, but they did not make it out of sectionals. Jackie almost made it to All-Conference, but she missed by one stroke. "I didn't know until awards night. I was excited. I didn't think I had a chance to play on All-Conference," said Jackie.

The boys' golf team consisted of two

seniors, two juniors, six sophomores and four freshmen. The team also practiced weekdays at Robbinhurst.

This team was unique in that it had no returning lettermen. "The season went fairly well. The coach had to rebuild because of the lack of experienced players," said senior Mike Sweitzer. "I feel the season didn't go as good as I had hoped, but it wasn't all that bad," said junior Joel Tennant.

The players set goals. "My individual goal was to play in every varsity meet, and, yes, I met my goal," said sophomore Larry Achten. "My goal is to improve overall and play to the best of my ability. I feel I have accomplished this," said Mike.

The season ended with a 12-9 record and a seventh place at sectionals.

"I'm the Coach," Coach Dale Fadely gives a hand.



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Girls' Golf

7-4

Rogers Invite	7th
Lake Central	Lost
M.C. Rogers	Lost
Chesterton	Won
Knox	Won
Merrillville	Won
Lowell	Won
Hobart	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
LaPorte Invite	6th
M.C. Elston	Won
M.C. Marquette	Lost
LaPorte	Lost
Sectional	4th

Girls' Golf — Front Row: Laura Sulich, Christy Cochran, Tracy Terus, Jackie Coffee, Shelly Ardell. Back Row: Coach Dale Fadely, Vanessa Miller, Roberta McCausland, Sarah Elderkin, Jennifer Hile.

Most valuable players for girls' golf were senior Roberta McCausland and junior Sarah Elderkin.





Most Valuable Player Sarah Elderkin, junior, tees off during a practice at Robbinhurst, where her father is the pro.

During one of the daily practices, senior Terry Filipas drives, while sophomores Larry Achten and Dan Murfey look on.



Putting during a practice at Robbinhurst Golf Course is sophomore Dan Murfey. The boys' team finished its season with a winning record of 12-9.



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Boys' Golf 12-9

Munster	Won
Boone Grove	Won
Andean	Won
Valpo/M'ville	Lost/Lost
Highland	Won
LaPorte/Rogers	Lost/Lost
Chesterton/	
LaPorte	Won/Lost
Hobart/Valparaiso	Won/Lost
Rogers/Hobart	Lost/Won
M'ville/Chesterton	Lost/Won
Griffith/Cary	
West	Won/Won
Lake Hills Invite	12th
Lowell/Hanover	
Cen.	Won/Won
Crown Point	Lost
Sectional	7th

Boys' Golf — Front Row: David Foster, Robb McClarnon, Jason Robertson, Eric Jettmund, Caleb Zelencik. Row 2: Larry Achten, Jason Kukler, Chris Harrison, Jason Reese, Joe Poe, Dan Murfey. Back Row: Mike Sweitzer, Joel Tennant, Lance Dawson, Terry Filipas, Coach Mike Leonard.

Most Valuable boys' golfer was senior Mike Sweitzer.



Soccer



Team takes Northern Cup

The soccer team successfully defended its championship in the State Northern Cup.

The team captured the Soccer Bowl, which it hosted, by defeating Hammond Morton, 3-2. The Indians gained the right to play by winning the Lake-Porter Conference with an undefeated record.

In addition to hosting Soccer Bowl, the team hosted the conference tournament. It won by coming from behind by one goal at halftime to beat Griffith, 5-1, in the final.

Following the Soccer Bowl, the team was the first to take back-to-back championships in the Northern Cup, the equivalent of a state championship. The team beat Concord, 3-0, with all goals

scored by Cary McKay. It also beat South Bend Adams, 2-1, and South Bend St. Joe, 3-1, in the final.

In comparison to the last year's team, senior Mark Holm, named most improved player, said, "The team was not as strong as last year's, but we did better than people expected by going undefeated in conference."

The closest call to defeat was a 4-4 tie against Griffith, which finished second in conference.

This season was harder than some of the past because many of the other teams are improving, but this year the team has pulled together and gotten the job done.

The high points began to occur at the end of the season. Senior Rich Bonick, a

three-year letter winner, said, "The high point was that everyone worked together, and it worked out in the end by winning conference."

Junior Mike Stempock added, "Beating Valparaiso and Munster were the high points because they had a chance to take first place, also winning the conference."

This year also provided a twist by the addition of a foreign exchange student, Hakan Bondesson from Sweden. Hakan, the team's MVP, said, "It was fun. The system we used was the same as I used in Sweden." Hakan was also named offensive MVP of Northern Cup competition.



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Soccer	
16-0-1	
Lew Wallace	Won
Highland	Won
Lake Central	Won
Griffith	Tie
Munster	Won
Chesterton	Won
Hammond High	Won
Valparaiso	Won
Andreae	Won
Merrillville	Won
Lake-Porter Conf.	Won/Won
Munster	Won
Soccer Bowl	Won
Northern Cup	Won/Won/Won

Soccer — Front Row: Mark Mario, A.J. Monroe, Mike Hutka, Chris Papagorge, Brian Kwiatkowski, Mark Roark, Ted Uzelac, Richard Bonick, Hakan Bondesson. Row 2: Matt Beger, Pete Torres, Steve Miller, Dan Sutton, Donovan DeGaetano, Mike Pokorney, David Weeks, Mike Stempock, Rich Alderson. Back Row: Steve Johnson, Aaron Medley, Gary Hott, Mark Holm, Cary McKay, Ray Adams, Mike Batusic, coaches Mr. James Green, and Mr. Mark Baker.

Most valuable player Hakan Bondesson, a foreign exchange student from Sweden, planned to head back to his native country in July.



While taking a breather, senior Rich Bonick gets a drink. This was his third year on the team.



During a home game, sophomore Brian Kwiatkowski saves the ball from going out of bounds. The team posted an undefeated 9-0-1 regular season record.



Against Lake Central, junior Mike Stempock dribbles past half field looking to make a pass through. The Indians won, 9-5.

After catching strike three, senior Kerry Hickman throws the ball back to the pitcher.

Second baseman, sophomore Missy Kelley, throws for a double play at first base.



JV Softball — Front Row: Shellie Untch, Chris Slamkowski, Tracy Valentich, Angie Sherbit. Row 2: Suzie Mendosa, Vicky Zills, Glenda Cox, Misty

Kirk, Aimee Stanley. Back Row: Ramee King, Angie Mendizabal, Paula Mueller, Charlene Irvine, Charity Johnson, Coach Mark Francesconi.



Before a game, sophomore Punky Cox motivates her teammates into a victory chant.



Softball



They're keeping the faith

Through trying times, the varsity softball team kept its faith.

With only two seniors on the team, the victories didn't come as well as expected. Along with the two seniors, 13 juniors, sophomores and freshmen joined together to make up the team. Going into sectionals with a record of 2-17 wasn't the best, but the girls still believed the team could beat anyone that they had to face during the rough season.

"We were a good ball club, and we could beat anyone we faced if we'd set our minds to it and get it together," said one of the two seniors, outfielder Clara Blakely.

"Most of the games that we lost were from too many errors, bad pitching and not enough bats. We were giving most of the games away. We were in just too deep of a hole and could not climb out of it," commented Clara.

The coaching was not the problem for the team's losing streak. As a matter of fact, the girls said that Mr. Dave Mattix had a lot of patience and coaching ability to help out the team during trying times.

Sophomore first baseman Chandra Dixon said, "I think he's a good coach.

He works with us and is very understanding. Coach Mattix has taught us a lot this season."

The newly added JV team gave a chance for the girls to play more and to get prepared for the varsity team. The new coach for the JV team, Mr. Mark Francesconi made the job easier, commented Coach Mattix.

The losing season affected many of the girls' ability to get along with each other, as teams should. This caused problems in both playing well together and their attitudes toward one another.

"When the team lost, the whole team got down on one another," said sophomore Lisa Lilly.



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Softball 2-18

Andean	Lost
Hobart	Lost/Lost
Lowell	Lost
LaPorte	Lost/Lost
M.C. Rogers	Won/Lost
Munster	Lost
Merrillville	Lost/Lost
Chesterton	Lost/Lost
M.C. Marquette	Won
Crown Point	Lost
Morton	Lost
Valparaiso	Lost/Lost
Highland	Lost
Sectionals	Lost
JV record:	9-4

Varsity Softball — Front Row: Tracy Terus, Charity Johnson, Punky Cox, Kerry Hickman, Clara Blakely, Lisa Lilly, Coach Dave Mattix. Row 2: Dawn Jenne, Ramee King, Wendy Stanley, Tracey Schultz, Lori Propson, Kristie Wendricks, Missy Kelly. Back Row: Stacie White, Paula McWhirter, Chandra Dixon, Debbie Kaiser, Tracy Valerich, Daun Bieda.

The girls' softball most valuable player was shortstop junior Kristie Wendricks.

After a base hit, sophomore Wendy Stanley waits to advance to further bases. Wendy had most runs scored for the season. She and Ramee King had highest batting averages.



Tennis



Teams salute 3 yr. streak

The girls' varsity tennis team consisted of five seniors and two sophomores.

The oddity of having two sophomores on the varsity team instead of on the JV team was only one aspect that made the season unique.

Finishing with a 13-4 record, the varsity team ended its third year in a row with a winning season under Coach Rich Mason. Also finishing her third year with a winning season was Coach Nellie Greer Starewicz, JV tennis coach.

"Overall the girls' tennis team did good," said senior Dina Mullen.

"I was pleased with the team effort this year," Chris Reese, senior, said.

Awards night went well for the team. Susanna Rains, sophomore, and Chris

Reese received the most valuable player award. Chris and Sandy Fisher, senior, received three-year letterwinner awards. Sandy also received best doubles award along with senior Kathy Flach.

"I was so excited when I found out Kathy and I got best doubles award," said Sandy. The most improved award went to Dina.

Mr. Mason said, "All of the girls worked hard for their awards." This was Mr. Mason's third year of being a coach for the girls' tennis team. He has also been a boys' tennis coach for many years.

Three girls had injuries: Susanna, Dina and Chris. Everyone had played with their injuries, but it hurt everyone's

game just a little bit. They managed to keep their good record, though, a member of the varsity team said.

"The only teams we really had to worry about were Valparaiso, Merrillville and Lake Station," said Dina. Even though Merrillville seemed to be a tough team, they managed to pull through with a win.

Practice was a very important part of the team's good record.

"We practiced a lot. I admit, I have gotten better with the help of this year's practice," said Michele Miller, of the JV team.

"I learned a lot not only from practice, but from other team's as well," said Sandy.



During a match against Andean, senior Dina Mullen returns the ball to the other team. Portage defeated Andean that afternoon.

Marcy Horvath, sophomore, adds to the winning season of the girls' JV tennis team at a home meet.





Keeping a steady eye on the ball, junior Jen Nagle, concentrates to help the JV tennis team continue its winning streak.



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Girls' Tennis 13-4

Highland	Won
Andean	Won
Lake Central	Lost
Munster	Lost
Morton	Won
Crown Point	Won
E.C. Central	Won
LaPorte	Won
Valparaiso	Lost
Chesterton	Won
Lake Station	Won
Hobart	Won
Merrillville	Won
Rogers	Won
Sectionals	2nd
JV record:	8-6-1

Girls' JV Tennis — Front Row: Laura Blaszkiewicz, Ljubica Djordjevic, Angie Johnson, Chris Garcia, Jen Nagle, Michelle Roque, Angie Foster, Michelle Fallon. Back Row: Mrs. Nellie Greer Starewicz, Dawn Meyer, Kim Mongatatz, Jeanette Greer, Michelle Ekhardt, Stacey York, Karen Flach, Kristy McCulloch, Julianne Helton, Beth Arnett, Michele Miller, Barbara Aalbers.

Girls' Varsity Tennis — Front Row: Stacy McKay, Susanna Rains, Deborah Colvin. Back Row: Stephanie Dillon, Chris Reese, Kathy Flach, Sandy Fisher, Dina Mullen.

Susanna Rains and Chris Reese shared honors as most valuable girls' tennis team members.



Track and Field



Season ends at state meet

As boys' track and field Coach Bill Wilke described them, "the best bunch of guys I've ever had the pleasure of coaching," the track teams were a force to be reckoned with.

The teams sent a total of seven individuals down state and were only 200 meters away from sending an eighth. At the Gary Regional at Roosevelt, senior 800 runner Jeff Rhody was running in fourth when another runner cut in front of him. Jeff was then accidentally kicked in the back of the knee, causing him to tumble.

"The kid's running the race of his life, and that happens. It makes me sick how heartbreaking it is for Jeff," said Coach Wilke.

Jeff would have joined state qualifying seniors Mike Baker, Matt Manoski, Kerry Springman and Kristy Rich, junior

Jim Sanders, sophomore Shelly Ardell and freshman Jason Casiano.

Mike and Jason ran first and fourth, respectively, in the 3200 at the regional to advance to the state meet, where Mike placed fourth and Jason ran eighth. Matt won the regional high jump with a school record setting leap of 6'9". Matt placed fifth at the state meet with a jump of the same height.

Jim placed fourth in the pole vault at the regionals and surprised many by taking second place honors at Indianapolis. The Indian junior vaulted 14'9", besting his own school record of 14'6".

Shelly qualified for state in the long jump for the second year in a row, but she was outdistanced for a place. Kerry took fourth at the Highland Regional in the 400 but was outtraced for a place at state. "In the last 100 meters, I just tight-

ened up. That's the first time that's ever happened to me," she said. Kerry also ran at Indy for her second consecutive year.

Shot putter/discus thrower Kristy scored the only point for the female Indians at Indianapolis by placing sixth in the discus.

With a 10th place finish at the Indiana University track stadium, the boys' track and field coaches went out in style. Head Coach Wilke and sprint/hurdle Coach Pete Turpa resigned because of personal conflicts.

The team, which has maintained a top 20 state ranking for the past three years, will feel the loss of these men. "They've helped me so much," said sophomore hurdler Dennis Kalina. "I don't know how far behind I'd be if it wasn't for Turpa and Wilke."



Near the end of his 3200 meter race, senior Mike Baker is cheered on by junior Josh Rusboldt. Mike took first place at sectionals and regionals and fourth place at state.



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Boys' Track and Field 6-1

Crown Point	Won
Valparaiso	Won
LaPorte	Won
M.C. Rogers	Won
Hobart	Won
Chesterton	Lost
Merrillville	Won
Chesterton Relays	1st
Conference	2nd
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	6th
State	10th

Boys' Track and Field — Front Row: Jason Casiano, Jeff Biggs, Josh Rusboldt, Troy Mroz, Scott Head, Jay Dyer, Jim Stewart, Scott Hagan, Ray Thompson, Sean Paillo, Rich McGuire. Row 2: Vince McCulloch, Kevin Mattix, Dave Garcia, Glen Bell, Burt Berbesque, Mike Vogan, Dan Konarski, Mike Baker, Paul Bough, John Hill, Mike Zimmerman, Jeff Thomas. Row 3: Gene Hopkins, Otto Bounds, Pete Andrich, George Hutman, David Kalina, Tom Caldwell, Rich Bakewell, Derrick Thielbar, Kurt Squire, Matt McCulloch, Chris Hagan, Coach Bill Wilke. Row 4: Jim Sanders, Dan Olson, John Belcher, Scott Hufford, Garrett Flick, Dennis Kalina, Steve Klenk, Tim Mullins, Jay Trosper, Scott Stewart, Jeff Smeyak, Coach Pete Turpa, Back Row: Jaime Velez, Matt Manoski, Kyle Stephens, Jason Phillips, Bill Auksel, Jeff Fitch, Jeff Rhody, Marc Timmerman, Dave Ellman, Tony Velez, Jeff Bonez, Chris Bishop.

Track event MVP was senior Mike Baker, state qualifier in the 3200. Senior weightman Rich Bakewell was voted field event MVP.



Girls' Track — Front Row: Caryn Peterson, Jody Perez, Christie Estes, Joie Stark, Melissa Welsher, Michelle Gibson, Dara Betget, Vicky Brown, Kristy Nahhan, Peggy Bradbury. Row 2: Erin Lambert, Dawn Ford, Alicia Ewen, Tami Philpott, Cami Gagna, Kristy Rich, Melissa Teets, Carrie Gagna, Chrissy Wilson, Patty Baker, Stacy Ball. Row 3: Trena Papageorge, Beckie Monnor, Tammy Johnson, Kristen Wiseman, Michele Shifley, Tracy Sulich, Susan Windsheimer, Charlene Taylor. Back Row: Jeanie Smenyak, Jackie Hufford, Beth Brechner, Lisa Medlin, Shelly Ardell, Vicky Pyke, Dawn Bingham, Tina Rodriguez, Jenny Watkins, Lynn Alkire, Kerry Springman.

State qualifiers Kristy Rich, senior, and Shelly Ardell, sophomore, were voted Most Valuable Field Event participants. Senior Melissa Welsher was voted Most Valuable Runner.

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Girls' Track 6-3

Valparaiso	Lost
LaPorte	Won
Rogers	Won
West Side	Lost
Hobart	Won
Chesterton	Won
Lake Station	Won
Merrillville	Won
Roosevelt	Lost
Conference	2nd
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	4th



With the bar set at 6'9", senior Matt Manoski attempts to clear it at sectionals. Matt placed second in the meet to advance to the regionals.

After his junior varsity high hurdle victory at Merrillville, sophomore Dennis Kalina is counseled by coaches Chuck Heimberg, Bill Wilke and Pete Turpa.



Four-hundred meter sprinter Kerry Springman, senior, crosses the finish line first. Kerry placed second at sectionals and fourth at regionals.

'P'atrons Helping Out

Students work with area to plan activities

Many activities took place in the area and students usually participated as well as planned many of them.

During the evenings, Purdue University Calumet conducted college classes in classrooms at West. Also at West, Portage YMCA held open swimming for all ages at a small fee of \$3.

Student Council supported a food drive and also sponsored Toys for Tots. This year was the first year that teachers donated toys during part of Secret Pal Week. Both of

these programs contributed to needy families in the area.

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All in all, Portage was a community designed for everyone. Almost anywhere one looked, he was sure to see students working together with the community.



Celebrating after a basketball victory, seniors Eric Lindfeldt and Jeff Smith enjoy a bite to eat at the Portage Burger King.



Taking an order from sophomore Tracy Kunstek, senior David Alaniz and freshman Mike Alaniz work the concession stand.

Senior citizens could enjoy a walk in the hallways at East. Henry Abbadini and Bonnie Perkins spent their afternoons walking for exercise through the halls.



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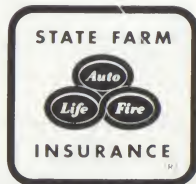
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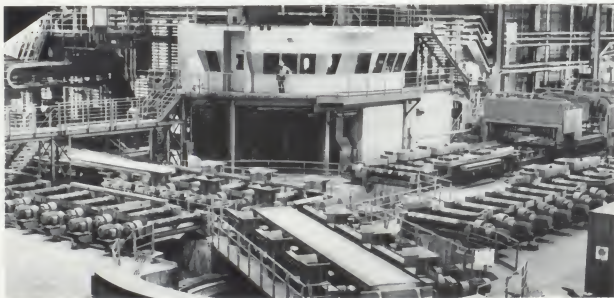
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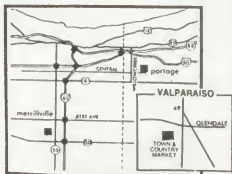
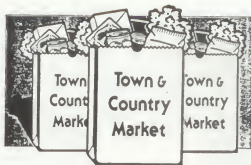
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'P'oint of no return

And so another year ends on the banks of Hwy. 6

"Any regrets?" one teacher asked a graduating senior. The student just smiled and shook his head, "No, I'm just glad it's over."

'People in and around 'Portage were 'proud to say the 'P' word throughout the school year. Although the girls' volleyball team experienced a disappointing season, the excitement over the basketball team going to semi-state created a spirited atmosphere throughout the community.

Unexpected half-days for seniors and sophomores occurred when the state man-

dated the ISTEP (Indiana State-wide Testing of Educational Progress) for students throughout the state, including grades 9 and 11. These tests were to keep track of the academic progress of students through each school year.

Despite several student deaths and an unsolved attack on a freshman girl, PHS remained a solid community presence on the banks of Highway 6. Even though the Max Headroom craze died out as quickly as it appeared, stay tuned-----we're here to stay!

The Academic Superbowl competed against area schools, brain to brain. Junior Steve Kosak, senior Greg Coules and junior Dan Czilli ponder a question.

Two successful speakers were seniors Jennifer Hufford and Scott Hoesman. She congratulates him at the Portage meet for defeating a nationally ranked competitor.





After some ball games, many people went to socialize at Burger King. Sophomore Kevin Mattix and senior Aaron Jarvis talk to some friends.

Before the game against Highland the football team "got riled up." Senior Kyle Stephens jumped on top of the stack.



Closing



After the victory in the semi-finals of the Michigan City regional game, Oregon-Davis player Scott Blum congratulates senior David Wayne. The final score was 74-71.

Big Red fans cheer after a late score in the girls' regional basketball game at Valparaiso. Despite their efforts, they fell to North Judson, 61-50.





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